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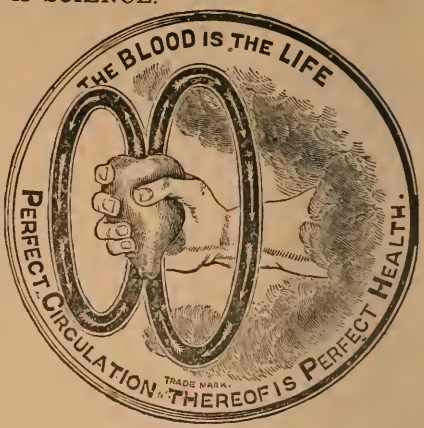

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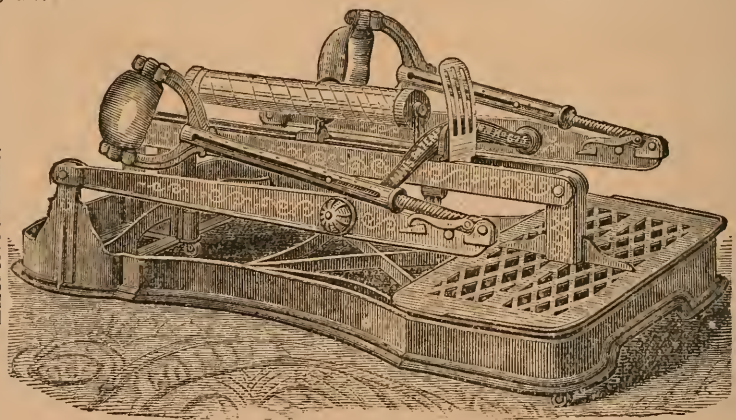

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1. Every member of the Conference is expected to be in his place and answer to his name at roll call on the first and on each subsquent day, and remain during the transaction of business, unless called away and excused; and he shall have his statistics and reports ready for presentation on the first morning.

2. Any member who desires to speak on any subject, shall rise in his place and address the chair, and speak only with the permission of the chair, and not longer than ten minutes, unless by consent of the Conference, and not the second time until all who wish have spoken.

3. It shall not be in order to interrupt any member while speaking, unless for the purpose of explanation, or on claim of misrepresentation, or to raise a point of order, and only then by leave of the chair.

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Memoirs—J. A. Robinson, C. J. Houts, F. L. Thomson.

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To Preach Annual Sermon.

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Alternate—A. B. Nisbet.

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Disciplinary Questions.

Question 1—*How many have entered the Conference this year by transfer or re-admission?*

Answer—C. Nash, P. S. Hooker.

Question 2—*Who are admitted on trial?*

Answer—Charles S. R yse, Abner L. Howren, Geo. W. Wilson, Naaman Bascom, Thos. J. Massey, Joseph L. Cunningham, Edmond Root.

Question 3—*Who remain on trial?*

Answer—N. B. Cooksey, R. H. Manier, J. W. Flint, J. Laird, N. Stauffer, C. P. Wilson, C. C. Young.

Question 4—*Who are admitted into full connection?*

Answer—W. F. Brown. J. A. Hampton, D. Moore, W. H. Scott.

Question 5—*Who are the Deacons of the first class?*

Answer—W. F. Brown, D. Moore, *J. A. Hampton, *W. H. Scott.

Question 6—*Who are the Deacons of the second class?*

Answer—L. F. Cullom, C. B. Holding, S. J. Harrington, J. M. Romine, G. M. Whitsel, James Hobbs, A Bartley, J. B. Thompson, E. May, J. E. Rippetoe.

Question 7—*Who are elected to Elder's Orders?*

Answer—J. W. VanCleve, C. N. Bottorff, J. W. Wright, R. M. Carter, J. Hobbs, L. W. Thrall.

Question 8—*Who are the supernumerary preachers?*

Answer—J. A. Scarritt, G. W. Brannine, L. S. Walker, J. C. Baldridge, H. Nelson, J. D. Reeder, A. B. Rohrbaugh, W. M. Owen, R. Thatcher, V. C. Evers, M. N. Powers.

Question 9—*Who are the superannuated preachers?*

Answer—J. Gillham, J. W. Caldwell, C. F. Jay, W. L. Deneen, R. Randle, C. M. Holliday, D. Oglesby, Simeon Walker, D. Williamson, H. B. Taylor, F. M. Woolard, J. B. Woolard, J. T. Johnson, G. W. Robbins, J. B. Corrington, J. Johnson, T. C. Lopas, C. W. Bonner, G. W. Cullom.

Question 10—*Was the character of each preacher examined?*

Answer—This was carefully done, by calling out each name in open Conference.

Question 11—*Who have located this year?*

Answer—S. B. Bascom.

Question 12—*Have any withdrawn?*

Answer—J. M. Green, J. W. Cecil.

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*Elders.

QUESTION 13—*Who have been transferred, and to what Conference?*

ANSWER—M. H. Nichols, to India Conference; B. A. P. Eaton, to Colorado Conference; L. W. Thrall, to South Kansas Conference; J. W. Wright, to Iowa Conference; W. J. Grant, to West Texas Conference.

QUESTION 14—*Have any been expelled?*

ANSWER—C. L. Westman, C. H. Farr.

QUESTION 15—*Have any died?*

ANSWER—J. VanCleve, N. Hawley.

QUESTION 16—*What is the Statistical Report?*

ANSWER—See "Statistical Tables," Nos. I and II.

QUESTION 17—*What amounts are necessary to make up the claims of the superannuated preachers, the widows and orphans, and to supply the deficiencies of preachers' allowances?*

ANSWER—No exact estimate has been made.

QUESTION 18—*How much has been received on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?*

ANSWER—See "Stewards' Report."

QUESTION 19—*Have any Local Preachers been ordained?*

ANSWER—Alexander Lancaster, Jordan C. Patterson, William A. Porter, John W. Flint and David H. Birt were ordained Deacons; and Abner L. Howren, Daniel S. Moneyer and James C. Orr were ordained Elders.

QUESTION 20—*Are any of our Theological or Literary Institutions under the control and patronage of this Conference, and what is their condition?*

ANSWER—Garrett Biblical Institute, at Evanston, Ill., and McKendree College, at Lebanon, Ill. See "Reports of Visiting and Educational Committees."

QUESTION 21—*Who are the Conference Board of Church Extension?*

ANSWER—See "Officers of Conference Societies."

QUESTION 22—*Where are the Preachers stationed?*

ANSWER—See "List of Appointments."

QUESTION 23—*Where, and when, shall the next session of Conference be held?*

ANSWER—At Mt. Vernon, Jefferson county, Ill.; the time to be designated by the Bishops.

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION.

I hereby certify that

WILLIAM F. BROWN,
ALEXANDER LANCASTER,
WILLIAM A. PORTER,
DAVID MOORE,
JORDAN C. PATTERSON,
JOHN W. FLINT,
And DAVID H. BIRT,

Were ordained Deacons; and that

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Were ordained Elders on yesterday, Sabbath, September 17, 1876.

[Signed] M. SIMPSON.

OLNEY, Ills., Sept. 18, 1876.

CONFERENCE ANNIVERSARIES.

Church Extension Anniversary, Wednesday, September 13, at 7½ P. M. A. B. Morrison presided. Devotional exercises. J. M. Walden, D. D., Rev. I. A. Smith, and Chaplain McCabe addressed the audience. The last named sang several choice selections. Collection, $100 for church at Salt Lake City.

Anniversaries of Tract and Sunday School Societies held in connection, Thursday, September 14, at 7½ P. M. This meeting was a special session of Conference. By appointment of the Bishop, Rev. J. A. Robinson presided. After devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. J. Gibson, the secretaries and treasurers of the two societies, in their respective order, submitted their reports, all of which were adopted. Officers for the ensuing year were elected. Dr. Walden addressed the audience at length with especial reference to the publishing interests of the Church.

Anniversaries of Freedmen's Aid and Ministerial Educational Societies, were held together, Friday, September 15, at 7½ P. M. J. L. Wallar and J. W. Locke, presided. After devotional exercises conducted by Rev. D. Caughlin, the secretaries and treasurers of the two Societies, and the Custodian of Educational Fund, submitted their reports, all of which were adopted. Officers for the ensuing year were elected. T. H. Herdman was appointed an auditing committee of all funds given in charge of Ministerial Educational Society. Dr. R. S. Rust addressed the united societies in behalf of the Freedmen. Collection of $22.30 taken in behalf of Freedmen's Aid Cause.

Anniversary of Ladies and Pastors' Christian Union, Saturday, September 16, at 3 P. M. C. J. Houts presided. Devotional exercises. Officers of last year re-elected. Address by T. H. Herdman.

Missionary Anniversary, Saturday, September 16, at 7½ P. M. Rev. Samuel Walker presided. Devotional exercises led by Rev. S. Brooks. Minutes of last Anniversary read and approved. Treasurer submitted his report showing a decrease in contributions of $299.00. Officers elected. Addresses by Revs. G. W. Farmer and A. P. Morrison.

Missionary Sermon preached Sabbath, September 17, at 7½ P. M., by R. Allyn, D.D., from Rev. xxii, 17.

The footings in Statistical Tables indicate the main features of the reports of the Treasurers of these Societies, while the list of "Officers of Conference Societies," will show who are intrusted with their management for the ensuing year.

II. JOURNAL.

FIRST DAY.

OLNEY, ILL., WEDNESDAY, September 13, 1876.

The Southern Illinois Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened for its Twenty-fifth Annual Session at Olney, Richland county, Illinois, at 9 A. M., September 12, 1876.

The Bishop appointed to preside, M. Simpson, took the chair and opened the Conference with religious exercises, reading the fifty-second chapter of Isaiah and the fifth chapter of First Peter, and announcing the seven hundred and seventh hymn. After singing this, Bros. Lopas and Robbins led in prayer. The Bishop then addressed the Conference, expressing his gratification on being permitted again to meet the Conference, and his desire that the session should prove harmonious and profitable.

The roll of members was called by T. H. Herdman, Secretary of the last session, and the following members answered to their names:

A. Bartley, J. H. Baird, J. C. Baldridge, F. O. Blair, S. B. Bascom, A. Bliss, C. N. Bottorff, J. J. Boyer, S. Brooks, W. N. Browder, W. B. Bruner, G. W. Butler, A. Campbell, R. W. Carter, L. F. Casey, D. Caughlan, O. H. Clark, C. E. Cline, G. W. Cullom, L. F. Cullom, T. J. Davis, W. T. Davis, A. L. Downey, J. Earp, T. A. Eaton, L. C. English, R. Z. Fahs, G. W. Farmer, J. W. Field, A. C. Flescher, J. H. Garrett, J. Gibson, J. D. Gillham, G. W. Grabe, W. J. Grant, A. L. Greenlaw, S. P. Groves, S. J. Harrington, N. E. Harmon, L. A. Harper, J. Harris, T. H. Herdman, J. H. Hill, J. Hobbs, C. M. Holliday, M. House, E. A. Hoyt, G. W. Hughey, C. B. Holding, J. Johnson, T. N. Johnson, E. Joy, M. L. King, J. W. Lane, E. Lathrop, R. W. Laughlin, J. Leeper, C. D. Lingenfelter, V. D. Lingenfelter, T. C. Lopas, J. W. Lowe, W. D. Mabry, H. Manifold, R. H. Massey, W. McMorrow, A. B. Morrison, J. W. Nall, A. B. Nisbet, B. R. Pierce, D. W. Phillips, J. W. Phillips, B. Randle, A. Ransom, J. B. Ravenscroft, J. B. Reynolds, G. W. Robbins, J. A. Robinson, J. P. Rutherford, J. M. Romine, C. W. Sabine, G. W. Scawthon, H. Sears, I. A. Smith, A. Snell, F. L. Thompson, J. A. Thrapp, W. Tilroe, C. J. T. Tolle, W. H. Tyner, J. B. Thompson, W. Van Cleve, J. W. Van Cleve, F. M. Van Treese, D. B. Vanwinkle, G. W. Waggoner, L. S. Walker, S. Walker, J. L. Wallar, W. Wallis, J. Weeden, W. F. Whitaker, M. P. Wilkin, J. W. Wright, G. M. Whitsel, W. F. Brown, J. A. Hampton, D. Moore, N. B. Cooksey, R. H. Manier, J. W. Flint, J. Laird, N. Stauffer, C. P. Wilson, C. C. Young, W. H. Scott.

The transfer of Rev. C. Nash from the Kentucky Conference to the Southern Illinois Conference, was announced by the Bishop.

The Secretary of the last session, T. H. Herdman, was re-elected by acclamation, and by the same process the Assistant Secretaries, O. H. Clark, C. E. Cline, F. M. Van Treese and E. A. Hoyt were chosen.

J. Harris was in like manner elected Statistical Secretary, and W. Wallis Assistant.

The Rules of Order of last session were adopted.

The hour of meeting was fixed at 8:30 A. M. and that of adjournment at 12 M.

The Bar of Conference was fixed at the rear of the third window from the pulpit.

The Bishop introduced to the Conference, Dr. Walden, Agent of the Western M. E. Book Concern; Dr. McCabe, Assistant Corresponding Secretary of Church Extension Society; Dr. Fry, Editor *Central Advocate;* Rev. P. S. Hooker, of Kentucky Conference; Rev. Gray, Pastor Baptist Church, and Rev. Morrill, Pastor of Christian Church of Olney.

The Committee to nominate Standing Committees submitted their report, which was adopted. (See Standing Committees.)

The Presiding Elders were appointed a Committee on Missions.

The Bishop presented a paper on Episcopal Fund, which was referred to a committee of one from each district, namely: T. A. Eaton, J. W. Phillips, G. W. Butler, A. Ransom, V. D. Lingenfelter, J. A. Baird, A. B. Nisbet.

The call for Statistics was made by calling the roll, and was responded to by nearly all the charges.

The Conference Board of Stewards was appointed, as follows: F. L. Thompson, E. Joy, W. Vancleve, W. F. Whitaker, Samuel Walker.

D. W. Phillips was appointed in place of T. N. Johnson on New York Book Accounts.

J. P. Yungling was excused from regular attendance on Conference sessions, because of sickness in his family.

The Conference was authorized to draw upon the chartered fund for $30, and the draft was ordered.

J. W. Phillips, Treasurer of Monumental Fund, made report.

The Third Question, "*Who remain on Trial?*" was taken up, and the following brethren, after report, representation and approval of character, were continued:

N. B. Cooksey, R. H. Manier, J. Laird, J. W. Flint, C. P. Wilson, N. Stauffer, C. C. Young.

The last named was required to bring up the studies of the first year.

Thomas Wilson was discontinued at his own request.

A motion requiring under-graduates to bring up all studies reported at a lower grade than 6, was laid on the table.

The Eighth Question, "*Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?*" was taken up, and the characters of the following brethren were passed, and their relation was continued:

J. A. Scarritt, G. W. Brannine, L. S. Walker, J. C. Baldridge, H. Nelson.

The case of W. C. Dickson was laid over, and that of C. L. Westman was referred to a Committee of Trial, to be appointed by the Presiding Elders. G. W. Hughey was appointed to represent the Church, and A. B. Morrison the defendant.

Dr. Fry made remarks in the interests of the *Central Christian Advocate.*

The Sixth Question, "*Who are the Deacons of the Second Class?*" was taken up, and the following brethren, after report of Committee on Examination,

representation by their Presiding Elders and approval of character, were continued as Deacons of the second class:

L. F. Cullom, C. B. Holding, S. J. Harrington, J. M. Romine, G. M. Whitsel, James Hobbs.

The following brethren were continued as above, but not being before the Committee of Examination, were required to bring up their studies: A. Bartley, J. B. Thompson, E. May.

J. W. Van Cleve was elected to Elders; J. D. Reeder was placed in a supernumerary relation, and S. B. Bascom was located at his own request.

The case of Charles H. Farr was referred to the same Committee of Trial appointed in case of C. L. Westman. W. D. Mabry was appointed to prosecute, and G. W. Hughey to defend.

The following brethren were appointed the Committee of Trial ordered above, namely:

G. W. Robbins, chairman; J. Gibson, M. L. King, J. W. Lowe, D. Caughlan, C. J. T. Tolle, A. B. Nisbet, Samuel Walker, J. P. Rutherford, W. Tilroe, J. B. Ravenscroft. J. W. Nall, A. Campbell, E. Lathrop, G. W. Scawthon.

The Ninth Question, "*Who are the Superannuated Preachers?*" was taken up, and the characters of the following were passed and their relation was continued:

J. Gillham, J. W. Caldwell, C. F. Jay, W. L. Deneen, R. Randle, C. M. Holliday, D. Oglesby, S. Walker, D. Williamson, H. B. Taylor, F. M. Wooland, J. T. Johnson, G. W. Robbins, J. B. Woolard, J. B. Corrington, J. Johnson.

A. Bliss was made effective.

The cases of T. C. Lopas and C. W. Bonner were laid over.

The Tenth Question, "*Was the Character of each Preacher Examined?*" was taken up.

After the passage of his character, J. Earp, Presiding Elder of Alton District, made report of his district.

The characters of the following Elders were passed:

A. P. Morrison, W. S. Sly, J. Gibson, A. L. Greenlaw, G. W. Waggoner, S. P. Groves, E. A. Hoyt, T. A. Eaton, W. Wallis, H. Delicate, N. E. Harmon, L. C. English, R. Z. Fahs, L. A. Harper, F. L. Thompson.

The case of J. M. Green was laid over.

J. W. Phillips was appointed in place of A. B. Morrison to defend C. L. Westman. E. A. Hoyt was appointed Secretary of Trial Committee.

Committees were called, notices given, the Doxology was sung, and the Benediction pronounced by Dr. Walden.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, September 14, 1876.

Conference met at 8:30 o'clock A. M. Bishop M. Simpson in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by T. A. Eaton, and consisted of reading a part of the sixth chapter of Matthew, singing the 732d hymn, and prayer.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following brethren absent yesterday, answered to their names, or subsequently made their appearance:

R. Allyn, H. Delicate, W. C. Dickson, D. Elam, V. C. Evers, J. Gilham, J. C. Greene, C. J. Houts, J. W. Locke, S. T. Maxey, E. May, A. P. Morrison, W. M. Owen, J. R. Reef, W. S. Sly, L. W. Thrall.

The following were by consent excused for absence:

C. W. Bonner, G. W. Brannine, J. W. Caldwell, J. B. Corrington, W. L. Deneen, J. T. Johnson, O. V. Jones, M. N. Powers, J. E. Rippetoe, H. B. Taylor, E. Treadgold, Simeon Walker, D. Williamson, F. M. Woolard, J. B. Woolard.

On motion, the absentees only are to be hereafter called.

The minutes of the last session were read, corrected and approved.

A committee was appointed to examine the District Conference Records, consisting of the following brethren: E. A. Hoyt, C. Nash, J. C. Greene.

Call was made for Statistics not reported yesterday.

The following brethren were announced as Triers of Appeals:

J. Gibson, J. Harris, J. L. Wallar, J. W. Lowe, C. J. Houts, L. S. Walker, F. M. Van Treese.

Friday, 3 P. M., was fixed upon for the report of the Committee on Memoirs.

W. M. Owen was continued in a supernumerary relation.

An evening session was ordered, to be devoted to the Tract, Sunday School and publishing interests of the Church. The hour of 7:30 was appointed for the opening of the session.

The following changes were made in the Committee on Periodicals: L. C. English, I. A. Smith and G. W. Farmer were substituted for J. Harris, A. P. Morrison and J. P. Yungling.

C. B. Holding was appointed to receive the Reports for Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

After the passage of his character, A. B. Morrison, Presiding Elder of Lebanon District, made report of his district.

The characters of the following Elders were passed:

J. W. Phillips, Samuel Walker, W. J. Grant, W. Van Cleve, G. W. Hughey, J. A Thrapp, R. H. Massey, L. F. Casey, H. Manifold, G. W. Grabe, F. M. Van Treese, J. Weeden, R. Thatcher, J. W. Locke, O. V. Jones, F. O. Blair.

R. Thatcher was granted a supernumerary relation for educational purposes.

B. R. Pierce, Presiding Elder of Carbondale District, after the passage of his character, made report of his district.

The characters of the following Elders were passed:

J. D. Gilham, E. Treadgold, W. A. Browder, T. J. Davis, H. Sears, G. W. Butler, M. P. Wilkin, M. House, J. W. Lowe, A. L. Downey, D. Caughlan, R. Allyn.

The case of J. W. Cecil was laid over.

After the passage of his character, W. F. Davis, Presiding Elder of Vandalia District, made report of his district.

The characters of the following Elders were passed:

A. Campbell, A. Ransom, J. W. Nall, T. H. Herdman, A. Snell, J. Harris, G. W. Cullom, I. A. Smith, D. Elam, W. F. Whitaker, J. B. Reynolds, D. B. Van Winkle.

Dr. C. C. McCabe, after remarks, sang "If I were a Voice."

The Bishop introduced to the Conference, Revs. McGinnis and Hester of the Indiana Conference, and Rev. F. Stewart, pastor of the Presbyterian church of this city.

After the passage of his character, J. A. Robinson, Presiding Elder of Olney District, made report of his district.

The characters of the following Elders were passed:

J. L. Wallar, M. L. King, E. Joy, W. Tilroe, J. W. Lane, C. W. Sabine, W. B. Bruner, J. H. Hill, W. D. Mabry, R. W. Laughlin, J. P. Rutherford, J. J. Boyer, V. D. Lingenfelter.

After the passage of his character, J. Leeper, Presiding Elder of Mt. Vernon District, made report of his district.

The characters of the following Elders were passed:

M. N. Powers, who was granted a supernumerary relation, E. Lathrop, D. W. Phillips, O. H. Clark, W. H. Tyner, G. W. Farmer, J. P. Yungling, J. A. Baird, J. C. Green, W. M. McMorrow, T. N. Johnson, S. T. Maxey, J. B. Ravenscroft, C. E. Cline.

The Bishop introduced to the Conference the Rev. Green, of the United Brethren church.

After the passage of his character, C. D. Lingenfelter, Presiding Elder of Harrisburg District, made report of his district.

The characters of the following Elders were passed:

C. J. Houts, J. W. Field, J. R. Reef, J. H. Garrett, A. C. Flescher, S. Brooks, A. B. Nisbet, C. J. T. Tolle, G. W. Scawthon.

The Bishop called attention to the action of General Conference with reference to the Presiding Eldership, and then spoke of two vacancies now occurring in the Presiding Eldership, and asked the Conference to give expression as to the number of districts desired.

A motion to request the Bishop in districting the Conference to provide for not more than *five* districts was, after amendment so as to read *six*, adopted.

The Seventh Question, *Who have been elected to Elder's orders?* was taken up. The characters of the following brethren were passed, and after report of the Committee of Examination, representation by their Presiding Elders, and satisfactory reply to the Conference question on Tobacco, they were elected to Elder's orders:

C. N. Bottorff, J. W. Wright, R. M. Carter. J. E. Rippetoe was continued in second class of Deacons.

V. C. Evers was granted a supernumerary relation. The case of L. W. Thrall was laid over.

J. Hobbs, having been before the Committee of Examination of both third and fourth years, was elected to Elder's orders. W. C. Dickson was made effective. T. C. Lopas and C. W. Bonner were continued in the superannuated relation.

The time of adjournment was changed from 12 to 11:45 A. M.

Visitors to Garrett Biblical Institute made report of their observations. The report was accepted.

Conference proceeded to fix the place of holding the next session.

Mt. Vernon and Mt. Carmel were put in nomination. Mt. Vernon was unanimously chosen.

The Fourth Question—*Who are admitted into full connection?*—was called, in order to ascertain whether the candidates were ready and in attendance.

The Bishop announced the reception of candidates into full connection as the order of the day to-morrow morning.

G. W. Butler was appointed Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund.

The list of committees was called, notices were given, the Doxology was sung, and Conference adjourned with the Benediction by Rev. G. W. Hughey.

EVENING SESSION.

Conference assembled at 7½ P. M., Rev. J. A. Robinson in the chair.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Bro. J. Gibson, consisting of reading 48th Psalm, singing the 1st Hymn, and prayer.

The Anniversaries of the Sunday School and Tract Societies were held; the Secretaries and Treasurers reading their respective reports, followed by the election of officers for the ensuing year.

Dr. Walden read Exhibit of Western Book Concern.

The Committee on Periodicals made their report, which was adopted.

Dr. Walden addressed the Conference on the publishing interests of the Church.

The Doxology was sung, and Conference adjourned with the Benediction by James Johnson.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, September 15, 1876.

Conference assembled at 8½ A. M., Bishop Simpson presiding. The devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. H. Sears. The 53d chapter of Isaiah was read, the 88th hymn was sung, followed by prayer.

The Secretary called the roll of absentees.

C. N. Bottorff was granted leave of absence for to-day and to-morrow.

Statistical reports not yet sent in were called for by the Secretary.

R. H. Manier having once completed it, was excused from further attention to the course of studies prescribed by the Church.

A. B. Morrison called attention to the Monumental Fund.

Dr. Rust, Secretary of the Freedmen's Aid Society, and Rev. Lee, of South Kansas Conference, were introduced to the Conference.

A. B. Rohrbaugh was continued supernumerary with appointment.

W. M. Owen was continued in the supernumerary relation.

G. W. Culom was granted a superannuated relation.

The Committee in the case of C. L. Westman reported that the charge and specifications were sustained and he expelled from the Church. J. W. Phillips gave notice of appeal.

The Committee in the case of C. H. Farr reported that the charge and specifications were sustained and he expelled from the Church.

A motion to take from the table the motion to have but five districts in the Conference was lost.

The Committee on Tracts reported. Report was adopted. See "Reports."

The Committee on Bible Cause reported. The report was adopted. See "Reports."

The Committee on Sabbath Observance made report, which was adopted.

The Committee on Sunday Schools made a preliminary report, which was laid on the table. A second report was presented, which was amended and adopted.

The Stewards presented their report, which was, on motion, recommitted.

The Bishop called forward the class of the second year consisting of the following brethren: W. F. Brown, J. A. Hampton, D. Moore and W. H. Scott, to whom he propounded the usual disciplinary questions, accompanied with an earnest address.

After the report of the Committee of Examination, the representation of their respective Presiding Elders, the approval of their character and satisfactory reply to the Conference question on the use of tobacco, W. F. Brown and D. Moore were admitted into full connection, and elected to Deacon's orders, also J. A. Hampton and W. H. Scott, already in Elder's orders, were admitted into full connection.

Dr. Rust addressed the Conference in the interests of the Freedmen's Aid Society.

G. W. Waggoner and H. Delicate were substituted for Wm. Wallis and G. W. Farmer on Committee to Examine for Elder's Orders.

The minutes were read, corrected and approved, notices were given, the Doxology was sung, and Benediction by Dr. Rust.

THIRD DAY.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met at 3 P. M., Rev. C. J. Houts in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by A. B. Nisbet, and consisted of reading the 23d Psalm, a part of the 4th chapter of Thessalonians, singing the 1081st hymn, and prayer.

The order of the day was taken up, and the Committee on Memoirs made report. Dr. J. H. Robinson read the memoir of John Van Cleve, D. D., after which remarks appropriate were made by J. H. Hill and other brethren. The memoir was then adopted.

The Bishop appeared and took the chair.

The memoir of Dr. Nelson Hawley, written by Dr. R. Allyn, was read, and after remarks by J. Leeper and others, it was adopted.

F. L. Thompson read the memoir of Sister M. E. Earp, which was followed by remarks by J. W. Phillips and others. The memoir was then adopted.

The Bishop then addressed the Conference and proceeded to administer the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, assisted by the Presiding Elders and other brethren.

The Committee on memoirs was instructed to prepare memoirs of Sister Moses Shepherd and Sister A. B. Rohrbaugh, to be published in the Minutes.

Notices were given, the Doxology was sung, and the Benediction was pronounced by Bishop Simpson.

FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY, September 16, 1876.

The Conference assembled at 8½ A. M., the Bishop in the chair. Devotional exercises, consisting of reading the 4th chapter of 2d Corinthians, singing the 943d hymn, and prayer, were conducted by E. Lathrop.

The list of absentees was called by the Secretary.

The minutes of the afternoon session were read, corrected and approved.

Recommendations of Local Preachers for Deacon's orders were called for. The following were presented, and the brethren called forward and introduced to the Conference by the Bishop. After satisfactory reply by each to the question, *Do you use Tobacco?* they were elected to Deacon's orders, namely:

From Vandalia District, Alex. Lancaster; Mt. Vernon District, Jordan C. Patterson; Harrisburg District, William A. Porter; Carbondale District, John W. Flint; Olney District, David H. Birt.

A. B. Morrison was excused from attendance upon Conference for a short period.

Recommendations for Elder's orders were called for and the following were presented, and the brethren called forward, introduced to Conference by the Bishop, and after satisfactory replies to the questions of accord with the doctrines and discipline of the Church, and to the Conference question as to the use of tobacco, they were elected to Elder's orders, namely:

From Alton District, Abner L. Howren; Vandalia District, Daniel S. Moneyer.

The Stewards made final report, which was adopted, and the funds were distributed and taken in charge as follows;

C. W. Bonner, taken by M. House. Simeon Walker, taken by Levi S. Walker. Mrs. Van Cleve, taken by self. Mrs. J. Glaze, taken by J. W. Lane. Mrs. Copeland, taken by N. E. Harmon. G. W. Robbins, self. T. C. Lopas, self. Massey children, taken by R. H. Massey. Mrs. Clifford, taken by J. B. Ravenscroft. Mrs. Lambert, taken by E. Joy. Mrs. Cliffe, taken by self. C. M. Holliday, taken by self. Mrs. J. I. Richardson, taken by J. M. Whitset, Mrs. C. Babbitt, taken by W. Van Cleve. Mrs. J. Thatcher, taken by J. W. Phillips. R. Randle, taken by self. Mrs. E. A. Allyn, taken by C. J. Houts. Mrs. I. S. Armstrong, taken by W. H. Scott. M. Shepherd's child, taken by M.

House. Mrs. R. J. Nall, taken by self. Mrs. H. A. Allyn, taken by J. W. Phillips. J. Johnson, taken by self. Mrs. E. Walker, taken by C. B. Holding.

After report of the Committee of Examination, representation of Presiding Elder, and satisfactory reply to the question upon tobacco, Leonidas W. Thrall was elected to Elder's orders.

The Committee on Pastoral Address presented their report, which was adopted.

The Committee on Publishing Minutes made report, which was adopted.

Dr. Allyn announced that his claim on the Conference of $170 for expenses incurred in publishing Minutes of previous years is donated to the Conference. Without formal vote, the thanks of the Conference were returned to the Doctor for his liberal donation, and his name was placed on the list of Supernumerary Recipients of Conference Minutes.

C. B. Holding was elected publisher of the Minutes for the next two years.

The Committee on Episcopal Fund made report, which was adopted.

A collection was taken to pay expense of postage and printing, amounting to $7.85.

The report of the Committee on Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was presented, amended and adopted.

The Committee on Education made report, which was adopted.

The Committee on Freedman's Aid Society made report, which was adopted.

J. W. Phillips offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the time has not yet arrived when, as a Conference, we can safely or wisely conclude to make no further claims on the funds of the Missionary Society.

G. W. Cullom was added as an equal beneficiary with others in the public collection to be taken to-morrow.

The following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, Information has reached this Conference that Brother J. M. Green has been received into the Cairo Presbytery; and

WHEREAS, Brother Green is indebted to the Book Concern, and according to our law is not entitled to a withdrawal; therefore

Resolved, That his withdrawal be entered upon our records, and that in deference to our law, and in justice to our Church Fund, and with the kindest feelings toward the Presbyterian Church, with which he has connected himself, immediate steps be taken to secure the payment of the debt.

Conference decided that when J. W. Cecil satisfies the Book Concern in regard to his indebtedness, he shall be considered withdrawn from the Methodist Episcopal Church.

The Bishop brought to the notice of Conference the following:

The General Conference at its late session recommended the Annual Conferences to concur in the alteration of the second restrictive rule, by striking out "Forty-five" and inserting "Ninety-nine," so that it shall read: "Nor a less number than one for every ninety-nine."

On motion, the proposed alteration was concurred in by a vote of 95 to 2.

The Bishop also presented the following:

The General Conference at its last session requested the Annual Conferences to concur in suspending the third restrictive rule so as to allow the Annual Conferences respectively to fix the number of districts, provided there shall not

be less than two nor more than eight in any Conference; and provided further, that there shall not be more than sixty charges in any district.

A motion to concur was lost by a vote of 18 to 81.

The Committee on Church Extension made a report, which was adopted.

A letter from Brother T. J. Hancock concerning dues to Conference Treasurers was read and referred to the Presiding Elder of his district, to be reported on at next session.

G. M. Whitsel was granted leave of absence during remainder of session.

The Second Question, "*Who are Admitted on Trial?*" was asked.

After report from the Examining Committee, representation by their respective Presiding Elders, introduction to the Conference and satisfactory reply to the question on the use of tobacco, the following were admitted, namely:

From Alton District, Abner L. Howren. Carbondale District. George W. Wilson. Harrisburg District, Edmund Root. Lebanon District, Charles S. Royse. Mount Vernon District, Joseph L. Cunningham. Olney District, Thomas J. Massey. Vandalia District, Naaman Bascom.

The session was extended.

A motion that those candidates who have not read the books required of candidates for admission on trial be required to read them, was adopted.

The minutes of the morning session were read, corrected and approved.

The Bishop announced that Brother Joy would conduct the religious services on Monday morning.

C. J. T. Tolle was granted leave of absence.

Notices were given, the Doxology was sung, and the Benediction was pronounced by Dr. R. Allyn.

FIFTH DAY.

MONDAY, September 18, 1876.

Conference assembled at 8:30 A. M. Rev. C. J. Houts in the chair.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. E. Joy, and consisted of reading the first chapter of First Thessalonians, singing the 237th hymn, and prayer.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That we tax ourselves one dollar each, to erect a monument over the grave of Brother John Van Cleve.

The Collector of funds for the Board of the Church Extension, made his report. The report was adopted, and he was authorized to pay all sums in his hands to the Conference Treasurer, C. T. Pace, at Mt. Vernon, Illinois.

The Statistical Secretary, J. Harris, read an abstract of his report. This was adopted.

A resolution descriptive of the proper course to be pursued by any one wishing to withdraw from the Conference, was adopted. [See "Resolutions."]

Brothers Van Winkle and Sly were appointed to assist Brother Holding in procuring subscriptions to the Minutes.

Dr. Locke addressed the Conference in the interests of McKendree College.

It was, on motion, resolved that the Bishop be requested to appoint Rev. H. Sears as Financial Agent of McKendree College.

A motion to the effect that, by divine help, we will increase our missionary collections the ensuing year, prevailed.

Conference, on motion, ordered the appointment of a committee to investigate blank reports for our benevolent collections. [See "Resolutions."]

The Stewards made supplementary report, and distributed funds on hand as follows:

Mrs. E. Walker, taken by C. B. Holding; G. W. Cullom, taken by self; Jas. Johnson, taken by self.

The Executive Committee of McKendree College submitted their Annual Report, which was adopted.

It was resolved that we will welcome to our charges Brother Sears, as Financial Agent of McKendree College.

Rev. J. H. Hill, with Rev. A. B. Nisbet as alternate, was appointed to preach Annual Sermon at next session of Conference.

Resolutions expressive of our brotherly regard for W. J. Grant, transferred to West Texas Conference, were adopted.

Resolutions of instruction with reference to public exercises at next session of Conference were read, and after amendment, were adopted.

It was ordered that a copy of the Minutes of this session be furnished each family entertaining members.

A vote of thanks to Bishop Simpson, President of the Conference, J. W. Lane, Pastor, and the families of Olney entertaining the Conference, was passed.

The Committee on Missions, through J. Earp, made report, which was adopted.

Brother Earp, on behalf of Presiding Elders, reported the Conference Board of Church Extension.

A communication from Rev. D. B. Turney, fraternal delegate of the Methodist Church of Southern Illinois, was read.

The Committees of Examination for next year were announced. (See Conference Committees.)

The Bishop presented the certificate of ordinations.

Resolutions similar to those in the case of Bro. W. J. Grant relative to Bros. L. W. Thrall, B. A. P. Eaton and J. W. Wright, transferred from this to other Conferences, were adopted.

The Bishop announced the following transfers:

B. A. P. Eaton to Colorado Conference; M. H. Nichols to India Conference; L. W. Thrall to South Kansas Conference; J. W. Wright to Iowa Conference; W. J. Grant to West Texas Conference.

The minutes of the daily session were read and approved.

The Bishop announced the 223d hymn, after singing which, J. L. Wallar led in prayer.

The Bishop addressed this Conference in remarks advisory with regard to the work and appointments, and then read the list of appointments for the next year.

Notices were given, the Doxology was sung, and the Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop. Adjourned.

M. SIMPSON, President.

T. HERDMAN, Secretary.

III. REPORTS.

FINANCIAL PAPERS.

Stewards' Report.

(SUMMARY.)

The Stewards respectfully report that to make up the claims of the Superannuated Preachers, the Widows and Orphans, and to supply the deficiencies of Preachers' salaries, there have been received the following sums:

From the Chartered Fund	$ 30 00
" " Fifth Collection	1,243 80
" " Public Collection at Conference	33 00
Making a total of receipts	$1,306 81

The disbursements made are as follows:

Mrs. R. J. Nall	$ 75 00	Rev. Simeon Walker	$ 20 00
Rev. C. W. Bonner	25 00	" G. W. Cullom	31 00
" J. Copeland's child	23 81	Mrs. E. A. Allyn	20 00
Mrs. S. Babbitt	20 00	" H. A. Allyn	75 00
" Mary Corrington	75 00	" I. S. Armstrong	100 00
" Z. S. Clifford	25 00	" M. Cliffe	75 00
" J. Glaze	70 00	" C. Lambert	40 00
Rev. James Johnson	111 00	Rev. R. Randle	75 00
" T. C. Lopas	30 00	" G. W. Robbins	100 00
Mrs. J. I. Richardson	10 00	Mrs. J. Thatcher	50 00
Rev. M. Shepherd's child	75 00	" E. Walker	86 00
Mrs. John Van Cleve	75 00	Miss Emma Massey	20 00
Total Disbursements			$1,306 81

Report of Custodian of Educational Fund

Of the Southern Illinois Conference.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 15, 1876.

September 10, 1875—Received of Rev. J. Harris, Treasurer	$199 30
March 22, 1876—Received of Rev. A. Nisbet	1 50
September 7, 1876—Received of Rev. F. L. Thomson	20 00
September 15, 1876—Received of Rev. J. Harris, Treasurer	172 05
	$392 85
Disbursed during year in aid of students in College	$156 95
Balance in my hands	$235 90

JNO. W. LOCKE.

Report of Committee on Missions.

Your Committee beg leave to make the following report:

Whole amount appropriated by the Missionary Society to the Southern Illinois Conference $600, which has been distributed as follows:

Alton District—		
Greencastle		$75 00
Lebanon District—		
East St. Louis		$200 00
Vandalia District—		
Farina	$75 00	
Xenia	50 00	$125 00
Mt. Vernon District—		
Murphysboro	$50 00	
Sparta	50 00	$100 00
Mt. Carmel District—		
New Liberty	$50 00	
McLeansboro	50 00	$100 00
Total		$600 00

J. A. ROBINSON, Chairman.

JOS. EARP, Secretary.

I approve, M. SIMPSON.

Report of Conference Treasurer,

AND PUBLISHER OF MINUTES,

For term of two years, ending September 18, 1876.

For 1874–5.

Cash for Minutes sold,	$215 80	
" " Advertisements,	156 00	
		$371 80
CR.		
By cash paid for 3,000 Minutes,	$311 36	
" " all other expenses on Minutes,	55 24	
" " paid on Conference expense,	5 20	
		$371 80

For 1875–6.

Cash for 3,000 Minutes sold,	$237 90	
" " Advertisements,	146 85	
		$384 75
CR.		
By cash paid for 3,000 Minutes,	$300 50	
" all other expenses for Minutes,	53 94	
" expense of Conference	30 30	
		$384 74

Detailed report in the hands of the Secretary.

JOSEPH HARRIS, Publisher of Minutes,
J. D. GILLHAM, Conference Treasurer.

Claims and Receipts of Presiding Elders

For the year closing September 18, 1876.

	Claims.	Rent.	Traveling Expenses.	Salary.	Total Receipts.
J. Earp	$1,200	$180	$ 75	$712	$ 967
A. B. Morrison	1,300	200	100	903	1,203
B. R. Pierce	1,250	150	125	700	975
W. F. Davis	1,200	110	125	665	900
C. D. Lingenfelder	1,000	90	30	705	825
J. Leeper	1,100	100	75	725	900
J. A. Robinson	1,050	150	30	770	950

MISCELLANEOUS.

Pastoral Address.

BRETHREN, BELOVED:

We present you our annual address as your pastors, yet, helpers and laborers together in the Gospel, and fellow-sufferers in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ.

May grace, mercy and peace from God, our Father, and Jesus Christ our Savior, through the Spirit's enlightening, cleansing, sanctifying, witnessing and comforting influences, fill and rule your hearts.

As this is a noted year in the history of the country and of our beloved branch of the Church, we may be allowed to depart from the beaten path pursued in such addresses; and will likely be expected to consider the progress of the work of the Lord among us.

While there is room for improvement, yet in the history of the past century, there is much to cheer our hearts and inspire us to greater efforts as long as God shall permit us to live and labor below. In the good providence of God we have grown from a "feeble folk" to be a strong and numerous people. With gratitude to God, we reckon our membership by hundreds of thousands, and our ministers, traveling and local, by thousands. We have multiplied our schools and publishing interests, under the conviction that education and the press are powerful auxiliaries in the work of evangelizing the world, and edifying and building up the membership of the Church.

More than fifty years ago Methodism was introduced into Illinois. The first circuit or mission, but without a missionary appropriation, was formed on the west side of our Conference, probably extending along our northern boundary.

A few years later, the sparse settlements along the Ohio and Wabash were visited by Walker, Cartwright, Thompson, McKendree, Ward, Patterson and others. Souls were converted, societies formed, and circuits and districts organized, that were served by such men as Charles Holliday, W. McReynolds, Geo. Locke, James M. Massey and John VanCleve, all of whom have passed to their reward.

Looking over the country, we rejoice in the improvements in woodland and prairie; that the delta of Illinois is being filled with a busy multitude, who have made large farms, with substantial improvements, built towns and cities, erected mills and factories, and covered the land with a net-work of railroads. Besides, they have erected school houses and established seminaries, colleges and universities. It is meet we should ask: Has the Church in general, and the Methodist Episcopal Church in particular, kept pace with these improvements? Have we as a Church, done our duty? Have we planned in the name of the Lord, and faithfully labored to extend the cause of Christ? Have we laid the foundation of our spiritual edifice deep and strong? Have we thus far built wisely and well? We are not building alone for the present. In many respects the saying remains true, "One builds, others inhabit; one plants, and others eat the fruits." We are gathering the fruits of the labors of the former generations. And we are casting forth seed, much of which will ripen and be harvested after we have gone hence.

While we would discard sectarian prejudice, yet we should love the Church in which we have labored, and by the help of which we have been brought on our Christian journey. Hence, it is fitting we should ask, Are we holding fast the distinguishing characteristics of our beloved Methodism? Our fathers and mothers made the hills, valleys and prairies vocal with songs, shouts, prayers and preaching, as they worshiped in the prayer and class meetings, and preached and heard the word of God. We fear that in some places the class meeting is not prized as it was formerly. Perhaps we excuse ourselves with the plea, that we have so far improved the Sabbath School and have to give so much time to that, and to preparation for it, that we have not the time for class meeting. And it is asserted by some, that we secure the same results, and accomplish as much or more good by an improvement of the social prayer meeting and the improved work of the Sabbath School. We are not sticklers for forms. Results are to be preferred, and allowing that the ends may be secured by those means, we would ask, Do we give proper attention to them? Do we regularly attend prayer meetings, and enter fully into the enjoyment of them? And do we fill a place regularly in the Sabbath School, either teaching or being taught? As children were often over-reached by the class meetings of the former days, let us seek to make up the lack, by making the Sabbath School a means of grace to parents and adults, and a school for the religious culture of children.

Mr. Wesley sought to adapt himself to the times and to the people among whom he labored. Let us follow his example, and strive by all means to be successful. And we should be constantly aiming at greater results. We have more workers, and we should be better workmen than our fathers. We may be cheered by the fact that we are workers together with Christ. We have a greater number of people to pray, to work and to contribute. Suffer us to exhort you to give as God has prospered you, to the various benevolent interests of the Church. Let our giving not be by impulse, but for conscience's sake and for Christ's sake, and

for the sake of the souls of men. Our contributions to all good causes should flow in perennial streams of ever-increasing volume.

Many among you have been brought to Christ by our labors. We trust that to all we have been instrumental in imparting some spirirtual gifts. Counting you therefore our spiritual children, we may say with an apostle, "We have no greater joy than to hear that our children walk in the truth."

E. JOY,
J. GIBSON.

Education.

McKendree College has completed its forty-seventh collegiate year, and has just entered upon the work of the forty-eighth. This venerable institution, for the good work of education it has done, commends itself to the unbounded confidence and affection of our people. The financial condition of the College is about the same as it was at our last annual session. The debt of seven thousand dollars still remains unpaid. Every member of the Church in the bounds of this and the other patronizing Conferences should feel himself bound by the ties of gratitude to its venerable founder to give immediate assistance toward lifting this incubus from the College. Substantial means and a much more extended patronage are needed to give the College success. We trust that the preachers will all take hold of the institution and present its interests to their people. This would greatly help the cause. We must keep the institution constantly before our people. We should not give sleep to our eyes nor slumber to our eyelids until we have done something to augment its patronage, increase its finances, and secure for it a higher degree of prosperity. We must not leave the work of building up the College to a few. We must all talk, and pray, and work for old McKendree. We must present its claim before our people in preference to all others. As co-workers in our Master's vineyard, we are resolved to do all we can this Conference year for its advancement and prosperity.

We would respectfully request the Bishop to appoint Rev. J. W. Locke, D.D., as President, and Rev. O. V. Jones, A. M., as Professor in McKendree College.

We would recommend the appointment as Charter Visitors for the ensuing year:

Revs. Robt. Allyn, D. D., G. W. Hughey, F. L. Thompson, O. H. Clark, C. Nash, J. W. Lane, F. M. Van Treese, T. H. Herdman and John Leeper.

As Alternates, we would recommend the appointment of the Revs. J. B. Reynolds, J. Gibson, G. W. Farmer, C. B. Holding, E. Joy, A. P. Morrison, W. Tilroe, J. W. Van Cleve and W. H. Scott, whose special duties it shall be to attend the examinations and Society meetings, and report the same through our Church periodical, and to serve on the Joint Board if required.

From the Twentieth Annual Report of the Garrett Biblical Institute referred to us, we are pleased to learn that the institution is in a prosperous condition. We fully indorse the course of theological instruction given in this institution. We cordially recommend persons in the bounds of our Conference, who are looking to the Ministry, to attend this institution and pursue a thorough course preparatory to entering upon their sacred calling. We would also recommend

the appointment of Revs. J. W. Phillips and Wm. Wallis as Visitors for the ensuing year.

As to the Southern Normal University, we appreciate it very highly as an institution of the State, and would respectfully request the Bishop to concur in the appointment by the Trustees of the University of the Rev. Robt. Allyn, D. D., as its Principal.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HIRAM SEARS, Chairman.

OLNEY, Ill., September 16, 1876.

McKendree College.

To the Southern Illinois Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in session at Olney, Ill.:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN—We beg leave to present to you the Forty-Seventh Annual Report of McKendree College.

The past year the College has suffered financially in common with the interests of the country. The total enrollment for the year was 226 students; of these 52 were females. The graduating class numbered 14,—5 Classical, 9 Scientific.

The number in attendance during the past year was somewhat smaller than that of the preceding year, yet this should not be a discouraging feature when we take into consideration the fact that all other institutions have experienced a proportional decrease in number.

While the number of our students has fallen off less than 15 per cent., many other institutions have suffered a loss of 25, and indeed in some instances as high as 30 per cent. And yet with this decreased number of students, the income of the College has been sufficient almost to pay the salaries of the professors.

The Faculty have labored with zeal and fidelity, and their labors have been abundantly rewarded in the fidelity and advancement of their students.

The discipline of the institution has been just what it professes to be—"paternal and mild, but firm."

The assets and liabilities of the College are substantially the same as reported at your last annual session:

Total assets	$105,285 15
Total liabilities	7,000 00

The prospect for the incoming year is good. Quite a number of students are already here, and still they continue to come. During the vacation, Dr. Locke, so far as circumstances would permit, has been traveling through the country representing the interests of the College and directing the minds of the people to our school. At all places he has been cordially received, has made many friends for the College, and we expect to see quite a large number of students present this year as the direct result of his labor.

The Doctor is untiring in his zeal for and devotion to the interests of the College, and we bespeak for him in his labor the influence and co-operation of the Conference. The Conference can not fail to bear in mind that McKendree is their only educational interest; that by it, and by no other, must they either stand or fall. And we feel assured they will not refuse to give it their sympathy, prayers, and personal influence. Respectfully submitted,

BENJ. HYPES, President.

J. M. CHAMBERLIN, Secretary.

Garrett Biblical Institute.

FATHERS AND BRETHREN—It was our privilege, in accordance with the appointment made at the last session of our Conference, to attend the anniversary exercises of Garrett Biblical Institute, commencing June 13, 1876.

Garrett Biblical Institute held its public examination of classes during Tuesday, June 13. comprising twelve classes, three by each of the professors, Drs. Bannister, Raymond, Hemenway, and Ninde. We found 95 students of Theology and 71 additional in preparatory departments. The examinations in all the classes were satisfactory, showing faithful labor on the part of both teachers and pupils.

We ascertained that an unusually large number were studying Hebrew, 44 having entered Hebrew this year, and 70 pursuing Hebrew studies in various grades of advancement. We were informed by those who have attended the examinations of other years that there had been a very marked improvement among the students in appreciating and pursuing exegetical studies as compared with former years. We found the whole tone of the examinations to be thoroughly loyal to Methodism, earnest in religious spirit, indicative of vigor now and of growing power for the future.

We feel that the Institute has justly merited, and continues to deserve, the ful confidence of the Church.

We also had the privilege of attending the exercises of the graduating class, the Students' Love Feast, and the Pastors' Union, by all of which we were impressed with the earnest, practical spirit of true piety. We most unhesitatingly recommend the young men of our Church who feel the Divine call to the work of the ministry resting upon them, to avail themselves, if possible, of the entire course of instruction offered by the Institute, feeling assured that they will be greatly benefited, and much better qualified to enter upon their work by such a course of training.

Respectfully submitted. J. D. GILLHAM,
E. A. HOYT, Visitors.

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

Forasmuch as there are millions of Pagan women who can not be reached with the Gospel as effectually by men as by women; and forasmuch as the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was organized and is maintained for the purpose of carrying the Gospel to those benighted souls, and is recognized by the General Conference as an efficient auxiliary in the great cause of missions; therefore

Resolved, 1st, That the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society is worthy of our confidence, sympathy and financial support.

Resolved, 2d, That it ought to have enlarged contributions from the Church and its friends, that it may immediately send forth more laborers into those vast fields "white already to harvest."

Resolved, 3d, That Auxiliary Societies should be organized and maintained in all our charges wherever practicable; and where this is not possible, public collections should be taken, that the workings of the Society may be brought before all our people.

Resolved, 4th. That the organ of the Society, the *Heathen Woman's Friend*, should be taken and read by all our families, that the magnitude of this work may be properly understood.

Resolved 5th, That public meetings of the Auxiliary Societies should be held annually.

G. W. HUGHEY, Chairman.

W. H. TYNER, Secretary.

Temperance.

Pledged by our rules, vows and history to temperance and purity, to moral and social reforms, and knowing intemperance to be a foe to the Church and a destroyer of souls in all our fields of labor; therefore

Resolved, 1st. That we, as Ministers of the Methodist Episcopal Church, are called to take strong and advanced positions in the great work of temperance reform in our land.

Resolved, 2d, That the power of God's grace through faith in Christ, has proved the only efficient moral agency for man's salvation from vicious appetites and grasping avarice, and must be emphasized as the basis and inspiration of a true and successful temperance reformation.

Resolved, 3d, That the might of woman's work and sympathy, the conquests of faith and prayer, and the aids of scientific investigation as exhibited in recent temperance revivals, are to us hopeful signs of success in the great conflict with the liquor traffic now engrossing our efforts.

W. J. GRANT, Chairman.

D. W. PHILLIPS, Secretary.

Sunday Schools.

Your Committee believe that the number of persons who forsake a course of vice and accept one of virtue after the age of twenty-one years, is far too small to give hope of a general reformation; and that this world must be brought to Christ through intellectual, moral and religious action upon the young; and as one right *former* can accomplish more than many *re*-formers; and considering the fact that many homes are destitute of religious training, we offer the following resolutions:

1. That we will diligently and constantly labor to bring into the Sunday School *all* the children for systematic and thorough study of the Word of God.
2. That as we are by our economy pastors over our Sunday Schools as well as congregations, and as we regard the Sunday School as among the most efficient means of grace, we will when prudent open the doors of the Church in the sessions of the school for the ingathering of souls.
3. That as we have serious apprehensions of the results of the practice of many of the Sunday School scholars of absenting themselves from public service, we shall labor to effect a reformation.
4. That in our judgment any one able to attend public worship is able to attend the Sunday School, and is entreated affectionately to do so.
5. That as pastors we realize the importance of maintaining a weekly teachers' meeting, and believe that in most places its maintenance is practicable.
6. That we heartily approve the action of the late General Conference in requiring the Superintendent to be elected by the Sunday School Board.

J. H. HILL, Chairman.

C. E. CLINE, Secretary.

Tract Cause.

More money is needed and ought to be collected for this cause; and more diligence should be shown in scattering tracts among the people.

All former utterances of this body looking to these ends are re-affirmed and emphasized.

W. B. BRUNER, Chairman.

G. W. FARMER, Secretary.

Church Extension.

We, as a Church, cannot reasonably hope to be a power for good in any community unless we give evidence of permanency. The strongest evidence of this fact which we can offer is a substantial house of worship, free from debt. This, in many localities, is impracticable without aid from abroad; and as the Church Extension Society was projected to supply that want, therefore

Resolved, That we pledge anew ourselves to carry out the provisions of the Discipline in relation to Church Extension.

S. P. GROVES, Chairman.

J. L. WALLAR, Secretary.

Freedmen's Aid.

As loyal Methodists we indorse the provisions of the Discipline on this subject, and recommend our preachers and people to observe them.

And furthermore, that we have listened with satisfaction to the earnest addresses of Dr. Rust in the interest of the Freedmen, and trust that they will do good and infuse new life into our membership.

J. D. GILLHAM, Chairman.

R. W. LAUGHLIN, Secretary.

Sabbath Observance.

BRETHREN:

WHEREAS, God designs that His holy day should be a day of worship, as well as a day of rest; and

WHEREAS, Many of our people are careless in regard to a proper observance of this day, and many of our citizens profane the Sabbath by seeking pleasure, traveling, and visiting places of sinful amusement; therefore

Resolved, That as a Conference we occupy, as in the past, the highest attainable ground on this subject, and as Ministers, we will use our influence with our people to secure a better observance of this holy day.

Resolved, That we will more carefully teach our children the nature, design and obligation of the great command of our Heavenly Father: "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy."

Resolved, That we will instruct our congregations from the pulpit, and circulate such books and tracts as may have a tendency to save our people from the great and terrible sin of continued careless indifference on this subject, praying that the Great Head of the Church may thwart the efforts of those seeking to destroy the sanctity of this precious day.

Respectfully submitted.

A. RANSOM, Chairman.

JNO. W. WRIGHT, Secretary.

Bible Cause.

Inasmuch as "faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God," it is absolutely necessary to place the Bible within the reach of all, in order that they may become "wise unto salvation;" and since the American Bible Society prepares the Holy Scriptures in a very cheap form, for universal circulation at home and abroad, and also provides for their general distribution, therefore,

Resolved, That we heartily approve of the work of the American Bible Society; that we will commend it to the people of our several charges, and assist the various agencies employed in carrying out its plan.

Resolved, That we learn with regret that the Rev. Joseph Mosser, the efficient Superintendent of the Bible Society for Southern Illinois will soon cease his oversight of the Bible work in this part of the State; and we take this occasion to express our high appreciation of his services as an earnest laborer, during more than twenty years, for the Bible Cause.

F. O. BLAIR, President.

D. B. VANWINKLE, Secretary.

Episcopal Fund.

As the General Conference has provided that the Book Committee shall divide the aggregate sum required to be raised for the Episcopal Fund, among the Annual Conferences, according to their ability, and the Annual Conferences shall apportion the same to the Districts, and the District Stewards to the several charges; and as the Book Committee has made apportionment of 1200 dollars to the Southern Illinois Conference, it becomes the duty of this Annual Conference to apportion that amount to the Districts.

But as your Committee is not informed as to the present arrangement of the Districts, therefore, it offers the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1st, That the Presiding Elders be appointed to make this apportionment.

Resolved, 2d, That each Presiding Elder shall report the amount apportioned to his District, to the District Steward's meeting, for distribution among the charges; and it shall be his duty to report the amounts apportioned by them, to the several charges.

Respectfully submitted.

T. A. EATON,
V. D. LINGENFELTER.

District Conference Records.

The records of but two of the Districts—Mt. Vernon and Olney—were brought to Conference. The different District Secretaries *report* that in all cases neat record books have been provided, and the minutes kept according to the requirement of the Discipline.

Resolved, That we remind the District Secretaries of the disciplinary rule requiring them to bring their records to the Annual Conference.

E. A. HOYT,
C. NASH,
J. C. GREEN.

MEMOIRS.

JOHN VAN CLEVE, D.D.

Rev. J. Van Cleve, was born in Shrewsbury, New Jersey, May 28, 1804. His parents moved to Scipio, New York, in 1808, and from thence to Ohio in 1815, where the subject of this memoir grew up to manhood. He was religiously inclined from childhood. While an apprentice in Cincinnati, in his eighteenth year, he became an earnest seeker of salvation. August 12, 1822, he was converted, and a few days afterward united with the Methodist Episcopal Church in the old "Stone Church" in Cincinnati, under the ministry of Rev. John Collins of precious memory. From this time forth, during a protracted life he never wavered in his religious integrity; his piety was constant, and fervent.

In February 1825, he was licensed to exhort, and in September following he was licensed to preach, by the Miami District Conference. He was admitted on trial in the Illinois Conference, October 9, 1828. The Conference met at Madison, Indiana, which was then in the Illinois Conference. His first appointment was junior preacher, on the Bloomington Circuit. Here commenced his itinerant career, which continued nearly fifty years. During these years he labored in all departments of our itinerant work. He was on Circuits and Stations thirty-four years, on Districts fifteen years. He was elected delegate to General Conference four times, and at the time of his death, he was a member of the General Mission Committee. In all these relations he was faithful and efficient.

The Church honored and trusted him, and he was always true to the trusts confided in him. For half a century he was intimately connected with Methodism in this country. Dr. Van Cleve was emphatically a self-made man. By the providence of God, he was made dependent upon his own efforts in his boyhood. His early education was limited, but by dint of persistent efforts, he overcame obstacles, and attained to scholarship.

He possessed a vigorous intellect, a well disciplined mind, and a generous, noble heart. He was a methodical, clear, strong, earnest preacher—sometimes eloquent.

Thirty years ago, to meet a demand of the times, he often preached controversial Sermons. In this department of pulpit effort, he had no superior in this country.

Brother Van Cleve was no "trimmer;" he was strong in his convictions, positive in positions, yet he treated with deference and respect those who differed with him.

At the last session of the Conference, Doctor Van Cleve was appointed to preach a "Centennial Sermon" at this session of our Conference,—it being the "Semi-Centennial" of his itinerant ministry, but God has called him home. It would have been gratifying to us if he had died at home among us, but Providence ordered otherwise.

In November last, while attending the sessions of the Mission Committee in New York, he was stricken down by disease. He was removed to St. Luke's hospital for medical treatment, where all that care and medical skill could do for his comfort and relief, was done. Our Book Agents, Nelson and Phillips, say in a letter to Rev. A. B. Morrison: "All was done for him that could have been done, had he been a millionaire." His bereaved companion, who had for forty-four years shared cheerfully with him the toils and privations of an itinerant life, was with him, to administer to his comfort in his last hours.

He was a thorough Methodist, in sympathy with all the work of the Church. He was enthusiastic in his devotion to the cause of education; our Conference College had no more devoted friend than Brother Van Cleve. He is no longer with us in our Conference sessions. We miss his venerable face and wise counsels.

In the death of John Van Cleve, a devoted husband, a kind father, a genial companion, an earnest christian, a friend of humanity, an able minister of the Lord Jesus, has fallen.

Peace be to his memory, and may his mantle fall upon another.

J. A. ROBINSON.

REV. NELSON HAWLEY, M.D.

When a good man dies well, all the world is better for knowing how he lived. Such a one was Brother Hawley, of the Southern Illinois Conference, who was born in New England, March 14, 1807, and who died in Middletown, Ohio, December 24, 1875. His life was not an eventful one as the books would say, but, viewed as men ought to view things it was of greatest moment. He saved his own soul by faith in Jesus, and devoted that saved life first to save the physical lives of his fellows, and second, to win them to save their own lives by an eternal salvation. In very early youth he removed with his father to Columbus, Ohio, where he enjoyed the advantages of a common school education and profited so much that his modes of speech and manners were those of the gentleman. At the age of nineteen he was converted to Christ under the labors of the late Reverend Leroy Swormstedt, and he never after was disobedient to the heavenly calling. He studied medicine and was admitted to the practice in Milford, Ohio, not far from 1834. In January 1835, he married Miss Elizabeth Swearingen, of Chillicothe, Ohio, who survives him. Soon after he removed to Dayton, and there, while engaged in his profession and laboring as superintendent of the Sabbath school, he received a license as a local preacher and commenced the work which was afterward to occupy his whole time and thought. In 1842, with other friends, he emigrated to Crawford county, Illinois, and entered on business while he continued his practice as a physician. He also preached much, and several churches owe their origin to his zeal and wisdom.

But he heard a voice calling to an entire devotion to the work of the ministry, and in 1852 he entered the itinerant ranks and traveled for almost twenty-four years till he ceased to work and live. He surrendered business prosperity and professional consideration and lived for others. In this he rejoiced and counted all things but loss that he might win men to the Lord he loved. His gentle

disposition, his pleasing manners, his intelligent piety and his earnest devotion conspired to make him useful and acceptable anywhere, and the appointments he filled were all among the best in the Conference: Mt. Carmel, Belleville, Olney, Salem, Effingham and Mt. Vernon, were among them. He was honored with the charge of Olney District for four years, and in all these places he has seals of his ministry. In all cases his administration was characterized by discretion and charity, and the Master approved by signs following in the conversion of sinners and sanctification of believers. His ministry of twenty-four years was often filled with suffering, and several times ill health compelled him to rest, but always with more or less of impatience for the field. But whether he worked or waited he was cheerful and hopeful. Even while disabled and in St. Louis for his health and medical advice, he engaged in the work of an agent for the Bible Society, and his last appointment was contrary to advice of friends. At our last Conference he was returned without work, and went to spend the winter with a married daughter, Mrs. M. D. Reed, in Middletown, Ohio, where he was overtaken by his final sickness and yielded up his charge to his Master.

His life had been one of uniform peace and trust in Christ, and his last hours were full of triumph. A part of his last summer was spent at Chautauqua Lake, at the National Sunday-school Convention, and was rich to him in blessings. When the Savior called he was ready. His pains were great in the last illness, but his victory was glorious. His friends long will cherish the memory of his blessedness in the midst of suffering. Said he: "I would like to stay with my loved ones, and enjoy their society here on earth, but I lose the less for the greater, the companionship of Jesus." "I am trusting in the Lamb of Calvary; I am going, *going*. I fear no evil. My work is done. I have suffered much the last four years, and am ready to go to the blessed Master. I shall be soon at home. No darkness; all is light; so glorious!" "Tell my brethren of the Southern Illinois Conference I love them. I shall be watching and waiting for them on the other shore. Our friendship will be renewed over yonder. I am lingering on the shore and all is light." Nearly his last words were, "Sorrowing will flee away. Everlasting joy! O precious Jesus!" So he went away and his friends saw him no more. But they will see him if they are faithful, for he has entered the Golden City.

Brother Hawley was a good man, a gentle husband, a kind father, a brother always beloved. His public labors were characterized by sound sense and the essence of Christian love. He kept his heart young, and was earnest in all the work of the Sunday-school, and in any promising work. He was a gentlemanly, Christian minister, and wherever he went he attracted to him the class of intelligent and cultivated men, and won them to the Church. At the same time he did not repel those of less knowledge and refinement. His brethren loved and respected him with reason, and will deeply mourn his loss. His sorrowing wife and two children may well rejoice in their grief at his loss, that he lived so long and so well, and has left such a record of honor and usefulness. He meets the three children who went before, and waits in the promised land for the other three to follow. He leaves to us the heritage of an honest and loving character, and an honored and ennobling zeal. He enjoys the reward of righteousness and the glory of the New Jerusalem.

R. ALLYN.

MRS. M. E. EARP.

Sister M. E. EARP was born in London, England, September, A. D. 1830. She came to the United States and located in Illinois, when about fifteen years of age. While yet in her childhood, she made a profession of religion and joined the Wesleyan Church. On coming to America she became a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, which church she loved ardently and served faithfully, ornamenting it with an upright walk and godly conversation to the day of her death.

She was married to the Rev. Joseph Earp, in Shawneetown, Illinois. In 1854, Brother Earp joined the Southern Illinois Conference, from which she went with him to bear the toils, changes and responsibilities of an itinerant minister's wife. For more than twenty years she went cheerfully to their appointments. During these years she never kept her husband from one of his services, or hindered him in the discharge of his ministerial or pastoral duties. She not only assisted as a faithful housewife, but went herself to visit the sick, comfort the bereaved and encourage the workers. The prayer-meetings, class-meetings, and the Sunday School received from her especial attention. The two former she enjoyed as blessed means of grace; in the latter she did faithful and acceptable work. The following charges, in their order, were the fields of their united labors: Vandalia, Central City, Alton, Lebanon, Bunker Hill, Brighton, Lebanon District; again at Lebanon, Mt. Carmel, Olney; a second time at Vandalia, Salem, and the Alton District. In these charges she made a host of friends. who cherish her memory and sympathize with her now broken family. Sister Earp was a loving and devoted wife, a kind and tender mother. Her two sons, the Rev. John Earp, Professor in Asbury University, the other, Sammie Earp, now in college, rise up to call her blessed. In the beginning of their third year on Alton District, she was attacked with her last sickness. It was not alarming at first, but gradually grew more serious; for seven or eight weeks she lingered in great pain and suffering, which was borne with great fortitude and christian patience. She was conscious of her condition and often spoke of her entire submissiveness to the will of God. On the 20th of November, 1875, she closed her eyes in death, leaving a bright evidence of her final triumph through the blood of Jesus. The funeral was pronounced by the Rev. A. P. Morrison, in the church at Alton, after which her remains were followed by a large concourse of weeping friends to their last resting place in the Alton Cemetery. We cherish her memory, emulate her virtues, and confidently hope to be numbered with her when Christ shall come to make up his jewels.

FRED. L. THOMSON.

[Memoirs of Mrs. M. SHEPHERD and Mrs. A. B. ROHRBAUGH not furnished the Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS.

The Conference adopted the following resolutions :

I.

Resolved—That the Treasurer of the Monumental Fund be requested to furnish through the Presiding Elder, to each preacher in charge, the amount needed for monuments.

II.

Resolved—That a committee be appointed by the Conference, before whom all pastors failing to report missionary money or any of the benevolent collections, shall appear to give reason for such failure. See "Special Appointments."

III.

Resolved—That whenever any preacher shall desire to withdraw from the Southern Illinois Conference, he shall first notify his Presiding Elder in writing, of his intention, and settle his accounts with the Book concern; otherwise his withdrawal shall not be accepted.

IV.

Resolved—That the Presiding Elder of Mt. Vernon District, the Preacher in charge of Mt. Vernon Station and the President of the Conference Societies be instructed to arrange for public exercises so that sermons and anniversaries shall alternate, at 3 P. M. and 7½ P. M.

Resolved—That the Presidents of Conference Societies be instructed to so arrange for the anniversaries, that every interest shall receive due attention, and that speakers on such occasions shall be limited to twenty minutes.

V.

WHEREAS, Rev. W. J. Grant, who has long and faithfully labored among us, has, in consequence of considerations of health, been transferred to West Texas Conference,

Resolved, That in parting with Bro. Grant we feel that an earnest laborer in the Lord's Vineyard is leaving our Conference ranks.

Resolved, That if in the Providence of God and the economy of the Church Bro. Grant shall at any time desire to rejoin our body, we will gladly welcome his return.

VI.

WHEREAS, Our brother, B. A. P. Eaton, on account of failing health, has been compelled to seek a transfer to the Colorado Conference; and

WHEREAS, Bro. L. W. Thrall, with the hope of improving his wife's health, has accepted the Presidency of South Kansas Collegiate Institute, and a transfer to South Kansas Conference; therefore

Resolved, That we will welcome them back to our Conference should they at any future time desire to return.

VII.

Resolved, That the Conference give, in the case of Bro. J. W. Wright, transferred to the Iowa Conference, expression similar to that given with respect to Bros. Grant, Eaton and Thrall.

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															FOR MISSIONS.										
	Probationers.	Full Members.	Local Preachers.	Deaths.	Children.	Adults.	Churches.	Probable Value.	Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars of all ages.	For Conference Claimants.	Churches.	Sabbath Schools.	Total.	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Board of Church Ext'n.	For Tract Soc'ty.	For Sunday Sch'l Union of the M. E. Church.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Education.	American Bible Society.
ALTON DIST.																									
Alton	6	159	2	3	7	.....	1	$21,000	1	$ 4,000	1	23	175	$ 6 00	$22 00	$10 00	$ 32 00	$ 4 00	$ 4 00	$1 00	$ 1 00	$ 2 00	$ 3 00	.....
Brighton	29	116	2	...	.....	2	1	5,000	1	1,000	1	14	95	18 75	56 50	15 10	71 60	.....	6 60	2 80	2 95	2 05	2 20	.....
Brighton Ct	3	111	1	1	4	1	2	5,000	1	800	2	16	100	10 00	37 80	7 75	45 55	.....	4 65	3 40	4 75	2 10	3 20	.....
Bunker Hill	1	150	1	2	4	3	1	7,000	...	.....	1	18	210	6 60	55 50	12 00	67 50	.....	10 00	3 00	4 00	2 00	.....	$20 00
Donaldson	26	210	3	3	5	18	3	2,450	...	.....	4	38	190	6 00	30 00	3 00	33 00	1 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 50	.....
Edwardsv'e Ct	25	140	1	6	1	.....	4	16,000	1	1,500	2	15	96	12 00	45 00	.....	45 00	.....	4 35	1 55	7 00	2 00	1 10	30 00
Edwardsville	6	78	4	1	3	2	1	5,000	1	2,500	1	14	120	5 00	40 00	.....	40 00	.....	4 00	2 25	1 00	3 25	1 50	.....
Elsah	5	166	3	4	5	8	4	9,000	1	800	4	35	200	15 00	63 10	11 90	75 00	1 00	2 50	2 85	1 40	2 80	1 00	.....
Fidelity, Pioso	28	172	1	...	.....	.....	2	6,000	...	.....	2	28	170	15 00	74 60	6 90	81 50	.....	2 50	3 40	5 10	5 00	6 00	.....
Gillespie	51	221	3	2	3	9	4	7,900	1	1,300	5	50	305	18 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00	5 00	2 35	4 00	2 50	4 00	.....
Grafton	1	144	2	2	5	6	4	8,000	...	.....	5	26	150	8 35	19 35	.....	19 35	.....	.....	1 35	.....	.....	.....	.....
Greencastle	7	90	...	5	.....	.....	2	3,500	1	400	2	10	75	4 30	13 00	.....	13 00	25	50	25	25	25	25	.....
Jerseyville	17	214	1	3	10	6	1	13,000	1	3,000	1	25	200	20 00	75 00	50 00	125 00	5 50	30 00	10 00	10 00	20 00	20 00	50 00
Kane	9	100	1	2	1	6	2	4,600	1	1,200	3	20	164	10 00	50 00	10 00	60 00	2 25	5 00	1 25	2 00	2 00	3 00	5 00
Litchfield	20	254	1	5	.....	8	1	2,500	1	2,500	1	12	150	5 60	10 70	.....	10 70	10 00	10 50	30	30	1 25	25	3 85
Litchfield Ct	5	139	...	...	1	.....	4	3,000	...	.....	2	10	80	2 13	5 05	.....	5 05	10	25	20	20	10	10	.....
Shipman	3	121	1	1	5	4	1	4,500	1	1,600	1	13	150	20 00	50 00	6 00	56 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	.....
Staunton	6	150	2	3	2	1	3	5,000	1	900	6	40	225	8 00	20 00	.....	20 00	1 00	.....	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....
Upper Alton	1	145	2	3	1	.....	1	4,000	1	2,500	2	24	180	10 00	20 20	15 30	35 50	1 00	4 65	3 45	4 20	1 50	2 55	.....
Woodburn	.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals	249	2880	31	46	54	74	42	$132,450	14	$24,000	46	431	3035	$200 73	$687 80	$147 95	$835 75	$30 10	$102 50	$43 40	$52 15	$52 80	$52 65	$ 108 85
Last year	268	2732	35	39	78	83	41	134,200	14	23,000	46	440	3188	200 30	678 11	194 79	872 90	16 95	126 90	42 40	43 40	73 85	65 90	.....
Increase	.....	148	...	5	.....	....	1	.....	...	1,000	...	.....	.....	43	9 69	.....	.....	13 15	.....	1 00	8 75	.....	.....	.....
Decrease	19	.....	4	...	....	.....	.....	1,750	...	.....	...	9	153	.....	.....	46 84	37 15	.....	24 40	.....	.....	21 05	13 25	108 85
CARBOND. DIS																								
Benton	63	385	6	4	20	125	5	2,000	1	500	5	25	350	6 00	5 00	.....	5 00	50	1 00	.....	50	50	40	.....
Cairo	11	125	...	1	1	....	1	5,000	1	2,000	1	18	165	13 00	32 25	8 00	40 25	.....	5 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....
Carbondale, De Soto and Murphysboro	53	381	8	9	10	3	5	7,500	2	1,200	5	35	350	27 10	86 55	24 10	110 65	.....	11 20	4 85	7 40	6 95	10 10	25 00
Chester	12	200	3	5	8	.....	2	9,000	...	.....	2	20	100	20 00	30 00	.....	30 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Corinth	59	366	2	3	4	2	4	2,000	...	.....	5	19	200	11 45	47 25	.....	47 25	.....	2 30	50	2 40	50	.....	.....

Dongola	13	78	2	5	4	6	2	$3,000	1	600	4	20	160	2 00									
DuQuoin	6	106	1	2	4	15	1	2,500			1	15	127	14 00	27 85	10 34	38 19	18 45	2 60	1 00	1 75	1 00	1 00
Grand Tower	4	36		2		2	1	1,000			1	8	65										
Jonesboro & Anna	10	124		3	1	4	2	3,000	1	800	2	20	160	7 65	16 00		16 00		1 10	25	25	50	
Makanda	50	250	2	2	4	10	2	2,000			5	50	290	3 75	45 00	5 00	50 00	23 70	1 00	25	50	25	25	15 00
Marion	20	300	5	5	4		4	4,000	1	8 0	5	30	250	9 00	62 00	10 00	72 00		2 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	
Mound City	8	134	2				2	6,500	1	500													
Pinckneyville	20	120	1		4		2	3,000	1	900	2	16	195	7 50	3 50	13 05	16 55				1 15		
Sparta	11	88	1	1	5		1	4,000			1	100		6 80	2 10		2 10		70	60	65	45	50
Tamaroa	87	300	6	3		54	4	6,200	1	300	6	36	300	12 00	15 25		15 25						
Totals	427	2993	39	45	69	221	38	$60,700	10	7,600	45	412	2712	140 25	372 75	70 49	443 24	42 65	28 90	9 45	15 40	14 30	14 25	10 00
Last year	217	1878	23	22	84	99	28	42,700	7	7,900	30	292	1871	84 95	325 95	66 01	391 94	51 50	21 50	15 55	18 40	12 75	11 55	
Increase	210	1115	16	23		122	10	18,000	3		15	120	941	55 30	46 80	4 48	51 30		7 40			1 55	2 70	10 00
Decrease					15					300								8 85		6 10	3 00			
HARRISBURG DISTRICT.																								
Belknap	45	225		5	11	10	5	$1,500			4	12	100		75	25	1 00	10	10	10	10	10	10	
Belle City	17	187	1	2	2	29			1	700	1	6	37	3 60	3 60		3 60	50	1 50	60	70	1 80	30	
Big Prairie	15	280	3	8			4	6,800	1	1,000	1	5	18	10 75	17 00		17 00		25	10	10			
Burnside	39	247	8	6	16	8	7	2,000			6	27	163	5 11	3 11		3 11		60	25				
Carmi	12	93		1	1	1	1	4,000	1	600	1	15	125	10 85	36 25	17 75	54 00	60	2 00	2 75	1 25	2 00	1 50	10 00
Elizabethtown	25	240	2	4	1		3	4,000	1	500	5	28	300	4 00	1 00		1 00	1 00		3 00		50		
Enfield	36	377	2	5	6	10	7	4,150	1	800	5	28	250	5 00	10 00	5 00	15 00	55		50	1 00	50		
Equality	20	406	9	10			4	5,000	1	1,000	3	25	300	5 00	6 75		6 75							
Golconda	38	151	5	3		9	5	4,500	1		3	27	180	2 00	5 00		5 00							3 00
Harrisburg	149	351	6	4	7	58	8	3,300	2	700	3	30	265	5 00	10 00		10 00							
Hoodville	50	120	5	4		2	4	1,200	1	310					1 00		1 00							
Liberty	24	130	3	4	5	3	2	1,200			3	18	145	45	3 50		3 50		25		25	30		
McLeansboro	13	112		2	4	16	1	8,000			1	15	125	2 00	5 00		5 00		2 00		1 00			
Metropolis	15	114		6	7	6	1	2,500	1	1,000	1	16	200	6 90		10 25	10 25		1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	
New Haven	10	300	5		5	10	4	5,000	1	200	6	30	240	1 50				25	20	50	35	25	30	
NewLiberty & Pellonia	2	175	1	3	4		3	3,200	1	500	4	20	200	1 75	4 25		4 25			2 35				
Shawneetown	19	40	1	3	7	5	1	2,500			1	8	70	8 00	12 00		12 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	
Vienna	17	400	5	4	12	2	5	2,500			6	30	270											
Totals	546	3868	56	76	88	163	65	$61,350	12	7,310	54	340	2988	71 91	119 21	33 25	152 46	5 90	9 90	13 15	7 75	7 96	6 55	13 00
Last year	334	2967	48	31	50	56	55	46,800	7	3,050	46	283	2370	59 50	104 80	1 00	105 80	1 50	8 75	6 25	3 75	4 50	2 25	
Increase	112	901	8	45	38	107	10	14,550	5	4,260	8	57	618	12 41	14 41	32 25	46 66	4 40	1 15	7 90	4 00	3 46	4 30	13 00
Decrease																								
LEBANON DIS.																								
Belleville	27	170	4	8	12	3	1	16,000	1	4,000	1	27	276	30 40	89 80	30 56	120 36	55 20	24 35	5 50	5 71	11 50	7 90	20 00
Carlyle	6	160	3	2	16	1	2	15,000	1	1,500	2	18	140	6 30	10 00		10 60		60					
Caseyville	4	25									1													

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	Probationers.	Full Members.	Local Preachers.	Deaths.	Children.	Adults.	Churches.	Probable Value.	Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars of all ages.	For Conference Claimants.	Churches.	Sabbath Schools.	Total.	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	Board of Church Extension.	For Tract Soc'ty.	Sunday School Union of the M. E. Church.	Freedmen's Aid Society.	Education.	American Bible Society.
LEBANON DISTRICT *Con'd*																								
Clement	8	218	3	4	5	2	2	$ 2,500	1	$ 500	3	20	120	$ 6 15	$ 6 50	.....	$ 6 50	$ 75	$ 3 40	$ 50	$ 60	$ 2 00	.....	$ 20 00
Collinsville	3	108	...	3	9	5	1	6,000	1	1,200	1	22	219	8 00	.....	$10 00	10 00	11 00	3 00	1 50	2 00	2 50	$ 2 50	.....
East St. Louis	12	60	1	2	13	12	1	15,000	1	2,000	1	12	175	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Freeburg	3	57	...	...	5	.....	3	3,500	...	....	1	10	55	8 00	5 50	.....	5 50	1 00	2 50	90	1 00	2 00	.....	.....
Greenville Ct.	35	300	4	9	10	4	5	7,000	1	700	5	42	317	11 00	22 00	20 00	42 00	1 00	7 00	50	1 00	2 00	2 00	.....
Greenville	16	138	3	2	4	5	1	1,000	1	750	1	20	224	10 00	55 00	.....	55 00	1 00	5 00	1 50	1 50	6 00	.....	15 00
Highland	.....	110	2	2	1	.....	1	1,500	1	1,200	2	12	86	4 00	27 50	2 50	30 00	2 00	1 00	50	50	35	.....	.....
Lebanon	25	258	6	3	.....	.....	1	15,000	1	5,000	2	25	240	30 00	80 00	23 45	103 45	40 25	32 50	3 00	3 50	4 00	12 06	15 00
Pocahontas	12	189	..	6	2	.....	3	3,500	1	700	2	12	120	6 65	134 50	.....	134 50	1 00	3 00	1 50	1 00	5 00	1 25	100 00
Shiloh	17	113	2	...	4	2	2	13,000	1	1,500	2	17	168	13 50	45 00	25 00	70 00	2 00	36 00	4 00	2 00	1 00	2 00	.....
Trenton	17	285	3	5	4	19	3	9,000	1	2,000	3	40	265	16 00	30 00	.....	30 00	1 00	4 45	1 25	1 25	1 35	1 30	.....
Troy	.....	153	1	1	9	3	2	3,500	1	400	2	14	80	4 00	13 00	.....	13 00	.....	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....
Venice	.....	75	...	3	2	.....	2	6 000	...	.....	2	24	125	4 00	20 00	.....	20 00	2 00	2 00	25	25	50	1 00	.....
Waterloo	.....	77	1	3	1	.....	2	3,500	1	700	..	30	220	3 60	.....	15 00	15 00	.....	25	10	10	25	2 00	.....
Wisetown	30	200	2	3	7	6	1	3,000	1	700	5	35	200	6 65	15 00	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals	215	2698	35	56	104	62	33	$124,000	15	$ 22,850	36	380	3030	$171 25	$553 80	$126 51	$680 31	$ 118 20	$ 126 05	$22 00	$21 41	$38 45	$32 01	$ 170 00
Last year	222	2339	31	33	114	57	31	128,300	13	23,400	33	332	2721	176 30	677 70	98 36	776 06	145 30	61 25	33 29	21 30	27 22	34 95	.....
Increase	.....	359	4	23	.....	5	2	.....	2	.....	3	48	309	.....	.....	28 15	.....	.....	64 80	.....	.....	11	11 23	.....	170 00
Decrease	7	.....	...	...	10	.....	.....	4,300	...	650	...	.....	.....	5 05	123 90	.....	95 75	27 10	.....	11 29	.....	.....	2 94	.....
MT. VERNON DISTRICT.																								
Ashley	4	107	...	5	.....	3	1	$ 1,500	...	.....	1	14	140	$ 4 86	$ 18 40	$ 2 82	$ 21 22	$ 18 00	$ 2 85	$ 1 40	$ 1 40	$ 40	$ 1 45	.....
Centralia	29	260	4	2	20	58	1	7,500	...	....	1	29	255	25 00	90 00	30 00	120 00	2 00	15 00	6 00	6 00	6 00	6 00	$ 17 00
Fairfield	12	165	...	1	5	15	1	13,000	1	1,000	1	20	175	13 60	37 20	.....	37 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 00
Hickory Hill	39	234	2	1	5	3	2	500	...	.....	5	35	200	5 50	8 20	.....	8 20	25	25	50	50	25	50	.....
Irvington	15	90	2	...	2	.....	.....	2,000	...	.....	2	15	120	7 50	40 00	.....	40 00	1 00	50	50	50	1 00	50	.....
Jeffersonville	2	300	7	5	.....	.....	6	3,300	1	1,000	6	40	250	7 50	12 00	.....	12 00	50	2 00	50	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....
Johnsonville	25	250	2	5	.....	5	4	3,000	1	300	5	30	225	9 00	4 65	4 00	8 65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Erie	10	245	3	5	2	18	2	2,200	1	1,500	4	25	180	15 25	6 00	11 00	17 00	.....	1 0·	3 50	3 50	1 70	1 70	.....
Mt. Vernon	35	301	3	5	8	44	1	4,000	1	2,500	1	17	225	37 14	106 00	.....	106 00	.....	43 00	10 00	6 00	10 00	2 50	.....
Mt. Vernon Ct	30	300	4	7	4	10	6	8,900	1	1,000	6	48	422	17 55	30 35	9 00	39 35	25	3 10	3 00	3 00	5 00	2 00	.....
Nashville	.....	140	...	2	2	.....	1	2,500	...	.....	1	12	150	5 00	10 00	.....	10 00	.....	1 10	60	2 00	50	1 25	.....

Nashville Cir..	12	260	7	....	12	40	5	2,750	...	.....	6	60	325	6 30	19 90	.....	19 90	.....	2 40	3 30	2 45	.....	.....	.....
Opdyke.....	20	200	5	2	.....	4	3	2,000	...	.....	4	12	230	5 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	1 50	1 50	.....	.....	.....
Richview	80	270	5	4	1	20	1	5,000	...	.....	2	15	140	5 00	7 50	.....	7 50	.....	50	25	50	50	50	.....
Spring Garden	96	166	1	3	13	29	3	1,500	1	300	4	28	227	7 05	6 00	9 50	15 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Walnut Hill...	50	211	1	7	5	.....	3	4,500	1	500	4	31	211	5 00	40 00	.....	40 00	60	60	50	50	50	50	.....
Woodlawn.....	32	80	2	1	3	11	4	2,300	...	.....	2	20	80	5 00	3 00	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Xenia.....	13	87	...	1	1	.....	1	1,000	1	400	1	7	60	3 55	31 10	.....	31 10	.....	.....	1 30	25	.....	.....	.....
Totals.....	504	3666	48	56	83	260	45	57,450	9	8,500	56	458	3615	184 90	470 30	66 32	536 62	22 50	72 80	32 85	29 10	26 85	17 90	26 00
Last year.	217	2865	43	37	47	60	39	61,875	6	3,073	48	376	3139	134 04	379 44	37 11	416 55	77 95	74 53	13 25	11 55	12 10	14 55	.....
Increase...	287	801	5	19	36	200	6	.....	3	5 427	8	82	476	50 86	90 86	29 21	120 07	.....	.....	19 60	17 55	14 75	3 35	26 00
Decrease .	.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	4,425	...	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	55 45	1 73	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
OLNEY DIST.																								
Albion	30	275	2	5	2	.....	8	7,000	1	500	6	65	550	22 20	110 00	9 00	119 00	5 00	10 00	2 00	2 05	4 25	5 00	.....
Bellair	37	271	1	3	.....	.....	1	1,600	...	.....	5	43	264	15 00	21 00	.....	21 00	.....	.....	3 00	1 00	1 00	90	.....
Bible Grove...	20	225	2	3	6	15	4	4,000	1	300	4	40	400	10 85	40 00	.....	40 00	10	1 90	70	70	60	60	.....
Bridgeport.....	4	203	1	6	6	12	2	1,800	1	700	2	23	216	25 00	61 60	.....	61 60	3 00	8 50	4 35	5 70	7 95	4 10	.....
Clay City & Noble	42	218	2	10	7	31	3	5,500	...	.....	3	37	240	15 00	46 25	.....	46 25	50	40	25	25	30	20	.....
Fairview	38	369	1	2	6	15	6	3,800	1	700	6	38	250	15 00	50 00	.....	50 00	1 00	6 00	50	50	1 00	1 00	.....
Flora.....	5	186	4	6	1	16	1	4,000	1	1,200	1	15	200	20 00	34 40	30 60	65 00	.....	10 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	3 00	.....
Grayville.....	12	140	1	3	2	.....	2	3,500	1	850	2	19	115	7 00	17 00	.....	17 00	.....	1 00	1 00	1 00	50	1 00	.....
Hebron	6	192	3	5	6	2	5	4,000	1	500	5	50	250	13 70	93 00	.....	93 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lancaster	5	139	...	8	8	16	1	1,500	...	.....	3	38	240	4 45	26 50	.....	26 50	.....	.....	25	.....	3 20	1 00	.....
Louisville	27	147	2	2	.....	3	2	5,000	1	500	5	38	340	7 10	10 00	.....	10 00	.....	2 60	2 50	1 80	2 10	2 75	.....
Mt. Carmel....	51	237	2	2	3	....	1	16,000	1	4,000	1	22	234	24 30	80 00	57 82	137 82	.....	13 35	5 30	7 10	4 05	1 00	.....
Mt. Carmel C.	6	252	4	5	1	1	4	2,400	1	550	5	55	200	18 00	16 00	.....	16 00	3 50	1 00	60	25	4 25	75	.....
Newton	11	194	2	18	2	11	3	4,000	...	.....	5	40	220	11 00	52 80	.....	52 80	1 30	3 00	1 00	2 00	2 50	1 50	.....
Oblong.....	35	374	...	16	5	10	4	500	1	600	6	12	310	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Olney	6	390	4	4	3	4	1	8,000	1	2,700	1	30	350	24 00	60 00	40 00	100 00	5 00	10 00	4 00	4 00	10 00	4 00	.....
Olney Circuit.	25	450	2	8	13	13	7	7,600	1	300	6	54	315	30 00	135 00	.....	135 00	.....	15 00	3 00	3 00	5 60	8 00	.....
Robinson.....	4	150	...	3	6	2	3	8,000	1	800	3	25	150	7 50	40 00	.....	40 00	.....	1 00	60	.....	1 00	.....	.....
Sumner	41	472	4	.....	6	21	7	6,700	1	400	6	61	441	10 00	46 00	.....	46 00	25	50	20	3 00	50	35	.....
Totals.	405	4884	37	103	83	172	65	84,900	15	14,500	75	705	5285	280 10	939 55	137 42	1076 97	19 65	84 25	31 25	34 35	50 80	35 15	.....
Last year.	489	3943	32	57	55	231	47	65,600	11	5,700	60	616	3844	118 95	572 25	51 89	624 14	11 90	28 95	16 50	15 65	17 95	15 15	.....
Increase...	.....	941	5	46	28	.....	18	19,300	4	8,800	15	89	1441	161 13	367 30	85 53	452 83	7 75	55 30	14 75	18 70	32 85	20 00	.....
Decrease..	84	.....	...	.....	.....	59	.....	.....	...	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
VANDALIA DIS																								
Altamont.....	43	416	3	2	15	34	3	4,800	...	.....	3	30	163	17 80	40 00	.....	40 00	2 00	5 00	1 28	2 00	1 00	2 00	.....
Avena.....	46	302	10	4	8	28	3	2,400	1	700	5	36	222	14 20	24 70	.....	24 70	.....	70	50	50	50	50	1 20
Effingham.....	4	152	4	2	4	2	1	5,500	...	.....	1	19	221	7 85	17 00	.....	17 00	16 65	2 75	1 00	1 00	2 75	2 00	7 00
Farina	9	116	...	.....	.....	.....	1	1,000	...	.....	4	24	120	.....	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	4 00	1 00	.....	.....	30	.....
Hagerstown ...	8	116	1	7	1	7	1	2,000	1	600	4	25	140	6 60	10 00	.....	10 00	.....	3 10	.....	.....	2 40	.....	.....
Kinmundy.....	16	222	1	4	1	4	3	4,700	1	1,200	3	27	300	18 60	86 00	15 00	101 00	.....	20 00	4 00	4 25	12 00	9 00	.....
Mason	30	170	4	10	4	10	2	4,000	1	1,000	2	20	175	5 25	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

No. I. Statistics of Southern Illinois Conference for 1876.—Continued.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISMS		CHURCH PROPERTY.				SABBATH SCHOOLS.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS										
															FOR MISSIONS.									
	Probationers.	Full Members.	Local Preachers.	Deaths.	Children.	Adults.	Churches.	Probable Value.	Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars of all ages.	For Conference Claimants.	Churches.	Sabbath Schools.	Total.	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	Board of Church Extension.	Tract Society.	Sunday School Union of the M. E. Church.	Freedmen's Aid Society.	Education.	American Bible Society.
VANDALIA D. *Cont'd.*																								
Odin and Sandoval	29	141	3	4	3	4	2	$3,000	...	.....	...	.....	.....	$ 2 10	$ 15 00	.....	$ 15 00	.....	$ 50	$ 25	$ 25	$ 50	$ 50	.....
Patoka	47	213	4	3	4	3	3	3,500	1	$ 500	4	30	235	11 00	8 50	.....	8 50	.....	2 50	50	50	2 50	50	.....
Ramsey	9	158	7	2	7	2	2	2,700	1	400	2	15	120	7 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	...	...	.....	.....	.....
Salem	6	107	3	2	3	2	1	8,000	1	1,300	1	20	106	22 00	100 00	$ 20 00	120 00	5 00	20 00	7 00	7 00	20 00	15 00	25 25
Salem Circuit	13	170	6	4	6	4	4	3,000	1	200	3	16	145	1 00	10 00	.....	10 00	.....	7 45	1 10	1 10	22 00	2 30	.....
Shobonier	....	.....	6	...	6	.....	.....	.....	1	300	3	128	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Elmo	18	82	2	2	2	2	1	2,500	1	800	1	12	90	8 00	.....	5 35	5 35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vandalia	16	175	1	6	1	14	1	15,000	1	2,500	1	21	209	30 00	78 00	27 25	105 25	31,50	36 40	4 00	7 00	10 00	8 00	.....
Watson	4	124	...	4	1	1	4	3,800	...	.....	1	8	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals	298	2664	55	56	41	157	32	$65,900	11	$ 9,500	38	371	2371	152 20	399 20	67 60	466 80	55 15	102 80	20 60	23 60	73 65	40 10	33 45
Last year	378	3599	60	50	70	105	42	74,950	13	11,650	60	493	3581	221 46	549 85	136 50	686 35	121 46	66 15	27 90	24 40	34 50	36 45	.....
Increase	.....	.....	...	6	.....	52	.....	.....	...	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36 65	.....	.....	39 15	3 65	33 45
Decrease	72	735	5	...	29	.....	10	9,050	2	2,150	22	122	1211	69 26	150 65	68 90	219 55	66 31	.....	7 30	80	.....	.....	.....

No. I. RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISMS		CHURCH PROPERTY.				SABBATH SCHOOLS.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.									
	Probationers.	Full Members.	Local Preachers.	Deaths.	Children.	Adults.	Churches.	Probable Value.	Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars of all ages.	For Conference Claimants.	FOR MISSIONS.			For Woman's Foreign Missionary Soc'ty.	For Board of Church Ext'n.	For Tract Soc'ty.	For Sunday Sch'l Union of the M. E. Church.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Education.	For America Bible Society.
															Churches.	Sabbath Schools.	Total.							
Alton	249	2880	31	46	57	74	42	$132,450	14	$24,000	46	431	3035	$200 73	$687 80	$147 95	$835 75	$ 30 10	$102 50	$43 40	$52 15	$52 80	$52 65	$108 85
Carbondale	427	2993	39	45	69	221	38	60,700	10	7,600	45	412	2712	140 25	372 75	70 49	443 24	42 65	28 90	9 45	15 40	14 30	74 25	10 00
Harrisburg	546	3868	56	76	88	163	65	61,350	12	7,310	54	340	2988	71 90	119 21	33 25	152 46	5 90	9 90	13 15	7 75	7 96	6 55	13 00
Lebanon	215	2698	35	56	104	62	33	126,000	15	22,850	36	380	3030	171 25	553 80	126 51	680 31	118 20	126 05	22 00	21 41	38 45	32 01	170 00
Mt. Vernon	504	3666	48	56	83	260	45	57,450	9	8,500	56	458	3615	184 90	470 30	66 32	536 62	22 50	72 80	32 85	29 10	26 85	17 90	26 00
Olney	405	4884	36	103	83	172	65	84,900	15	14,500	75	705	5285	280 10	939 55	137 42	1076 97	19 25	84 25	31 25	34 35	50 80	35 15	....
Vandalia	298	2664	55	56	41	157	32	65,900	11	9,500	38	371	2371	152 20	399 20	67 60	446 80	55 15	102 80	20 60	23 60	73 65	40 10	33 45
Grand total	2644	23653	300	438	552	1109	320	586,750	86	94,260	350	3097	23036	1201 24	3542 61	649 54	4192 15	294 15	527 20	172 70	183 76	264 81	198 61	361 30
Last year	2519	23373	303	322	603	829	327	624,925	83	86,925	371	3268	23879	1167 35	3832 13	731 76	4563 89	454 56	432 83	177 55	157 10	219 92	208 45	.....
Increase	122	280	.....	116	.....	280	.....	.....	3	7,335	.....	.....	.....	33 89	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36 66	44 89	.....	361 30
Decrease	.....	.....	3	.....	78	.....	7	38,175	...	.....	21	171	843	.....	299 52	82 25	361 74	160 21	4 85	4 85	.....	.....	9 84	.....

No. II. Statistics of Southern Illinois Conference for 1876.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	COLLECTIONS, ETC.					SUNDAY SCHOOLS.															Expenses of Delegates to General Conference.
	Support of Bishops	Building & Improving Churches and Parsonages.	Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages.	Claims for Ministerial Support.	Receipts for Ministerial Support.	Number of Sunday Schools.	Officers & Teachers	Scholars of all ages	Scholars Fifteen Years Old and over	Scholars under 15, except Infant Class.	Scholars in Infant Class.	Average attendance of Teachers and Scholars.	Officers & Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers.	Scholars who are Church Members or Probationers.	Conversions.	Library Books.	Total expenses of School this Year.	Sun. S. Advocates taken. Weekly	S. S. Advocates taken. Semi-Monthly.	Sunday School Journals taken	
ALTON DISTRICT.																					
Alton	$ 3 00	$ 876 00	$1,280 00	$1,300 00	$1,195 92	1	23	175	74	55	46	128	22	40	....	400	$175 00	100	....	16	.....
Brighton	5 00	.....	.....	750 00	650 00	1	14	95	30	20	40	65	13	20	13	....	30 00	.....	.....	14	.....
Brighton Circuit	4 60	110 00	.....	640 00	600 00	2	16	100	45	34	21	80	16	30	.....	....	50 00	21	....	13	.....
Bunker Hill	4 00	.....	.....	750 00	750 00	1	18	210	95	55	60	180	18	55	2	450	125 00	....	100	18	.....
Donaldson	2 00	.....	.....	400 00	320 00	4	38	190	123	34	33	160	36	110	14	200	35 00	....	40	2	$ 2 50
Edwardsville	2 00	150 00	.....	800 00	750 00	1	14	106	52	33	21	84	8	4	....	....	16 30	....	....	11	.....
Edwardsville Circuit	2 50	.....	.....	850 00	750 00	2	15	96	66	30	....	70	15	30	....	500	20 00	....	....	12	.....
Elsah	4 75	50 00	400 00	700 00	700 00	4	35	200	100	75	25	175	28	100	10	....	50 00	....	....	13	4 50
Fidelity and Piasa	4 80	.....	.....	800 00	800 00	2	28	170	....	....	....	96	28	30	2	....	60 00	35	40	17	5 60
Gillespie	5 00	643 00	218 00	800 00	800 00	5	50	305	155	137	41	187	40	82	20	325	35 00	....	30	12	.....
Grafton	2 00	.....	.....	800 00	552 50	5	26	150	....	....	....	24	15	.....	.....	....	26 00	....	....	13	.....
Greencastle	50	.....	.....	400 00	277 00	2	10	75	35	20	20	60	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	30	....	.....
Jerseyville	14 00	.....	600 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1	25	200	100	50	50	165	23	90	10	400	222 55	100	....	40	10 00
Kane	3 25	20 00	375 00	600 00	551 00	3	20	164	90	34	40	140	16	45	7	100	40 00	50	....	17	3 25
Litchfield	70	.....	1,500 00	983 00	983 00	1	12	150	40	60	50	90	12	20	6	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Litchfield Circuit	25	100 00	.....	600 00	350 00	2	10	80	30	20	30	65	6	25	....	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shipman	10 00	.....	.....	600 00	550 00	1	13	150	40	70	40	115	13	25	8	....	100 00	100	....	15	.....
Staunton	6 00	100 00	.....	800 00	600 00	6	40	225	82	95	58	150	30	50	4	200	40 00	....	30	20	.....
Upper Alton	2 15	10 00	.....	600 00	525 00	2	24	180	60	70	50	130	20	7	....	300	100 00	....	....	15	.....
Totals	56 50	2,039 00	4,373 00	14,173 00	12,704 42	46	431	3021	1217	892	625	2,145	359	764	96	2975	1,124 85	406	270	248	25 85
Last Year	56 05	4 534 70	3,688 00	14,980 00	13,835 00	46	430	3188	1200	1289	502	2,048	359	625	169	2778	1,020 69	....	732	253	.....
Increase	45	.....	685 00	.....	.....	....	1	....	17	....	123	107	.....	139	....	207	104 16	406	....	.....	.....
Decrease	.....	2,475 70	.....	817 00	1,130 58	....	....	167	....	397	....	.....	.....	.....	73	....	.....	....	462	5	25 85
CARBONDALE DISTRICT.																					
Benton	1 00	300 00	200 00	600 00	400 00	5	25	350	....	.....	.....	350	25	200	95	....	20 00	.....	....	8	.....
Cairo	3 00	75 00	750 00	.....	.....	1	18	165	100	25	50	120	14	15	....	160	50 00	.....	....	29	.....
Carbondale, De Soto, Murphysboro	10 85	800 00	700 00	1,800 00	1 175 00	5	35	350	116	116	118	286	31	125	....	400	200 00	150	40	20	2 00
Chester	5 50	.....	.....	800 00	600 00	2	20	100	50	25	25	60	16	40	....	....	.....	....	20	14	.....
Corinth	1 50	.....	.....	600 00	450 00	5	19	200	....	....	....	150	15	75	....	....	.....	30	....	13	3 70
Dongola	.....	550 00	50 00	600 00	319 00	4	20	160	70	90	....	20	20	.....	....	120	.....	....	30	....	.....

DuQuoin	1 25	150 00		600 00	600 00	1	15	127	24	32	46	69	14	15	3		95	80	80	15	
Grand Tower		75 00		520 00	520 00	1	8	65	30	35	20	50	4	5							
Jonesboro and Anna	75	400 00		600 00	513 00	2	20	160	50	70	40	110	17	26	5	150	45	40		12	
Makanda	1 00	300 00		640 00	600 00	5	50	290	200	50	40	200	40	175	50	50	60			24	
Marion	2 50	250 00			450 00	5	30	250	100	85	65	170	25	50			60			24	3 00
Mound City																					
Pinckneyville	1 20	338 00	50 00	600 00	415 00	2	16	195	75	70	50	140	15	45	10	200	60			19	
Sparta	1 35	2,000 00	200 00	600 00	400 00	1	12	100	50	30	20		12	20			30		75	14	
Tamaroa				900 00		6	36	300	200	45	55	225	24	52	25	375	75	27	20	15	
Totals	28 90	5 238 00	1,950 00	8,860 00	6,423 00	45	324	2912	1065	673	529	1,850	272	843	188	1455	695 00	327	265	207	8 70
Last year	25 00	3,484 00	2,100 00	8,126 00	7,007 00	31	229	1871	736	553	417	1,493	225	735	121	637	645 40		438	42	
Increase	3 90	1,754 00		744 00		14	95	1041	329	120	112	357	57	108	47	818	49 60	327		165	8 70
Decrease			1,150 00		1,484 00														173		
HARRISBURG DIST.																					
Belknap	10			300 00	150 00	4	12	100	30	40	30	80	11	50	70	50	20 00			4	
Belle City	1 85		350 00	540 00	259 00	1	6	37	21	5	11	31	6	19			5 75	25		4	
Big Prairie		50 00		700 00	600 00	1	5	18	8	10		4	5	7							
Burnsides	30	900 00	300 00	375 00	230 00	6	27	163	85	40	24	105	17	15	1		4 00			3	
Carmi	6 60	20 00		650 00	565 00	1	15	125	20	85	20	85	14	25	4	175	40 00	10			2 50
Elizabethtown	50	325 00	70 00	500 00	360 00	6	28	300	160	40	100	200	26	75	26		20 00			3	
Enfield		60 00		550 00	360 00	5	28	250	130	102	18	200	28	75	12	50	30 00			10	
Equality		150 00		550 00	208 00	3	25	300												5	
Golconda		125 00	145 00	525 00	525 00	3	27	180	80	60	40	155	23	45	12	160	24 00		20	2	
Harrisburg		155 00	210 00	650 00	500 00	3	30	265	125	110	30	240	25	75	50		30 00			1	
Hoodville				275 00	115 00																
Liberty	20			300 00	243 00	3	18	145				65	10								
McLeansboro		1,200 00	1,000 00	900 00	400 00	1	15	125	40	45	40	125	15	70	30	100	60 00		60	6	
New Haven	20	175 00		600 00	235 00	6	30	240	100			200	20	75	24	100	15 00			2	
Metropolis	4 00	175 00		650 00	600 00	1	16	200	100	60	35	160	16	10	2		32 00	100		16	
New Liberty & Pellonia				460 00	225 00	4	20	200	125	10	15	100	15	40			10 00				
Shawneetown	8 00			800 00	800 00	1	8	70	40	10	20	60	7	15	8	100	75 00	62		10	
Vienna																					
Totals	21 15	3,335 00	2,075 00	9,225 00	6,375 00	49	310	2718	1064	617	383	1,810	238	696	239	735	365 75	197	80	62	2 50
Last year	7 50	4,427 00	1,334 00	7,649 00	5,994 00	45	359	2370	1057	588	241	1,554	188	232	81	745	241 26		230	42	
Increase	13 65		741 00	1,576 00	381 00	4		348	7	29	142	256	50	444	158		124 49	197		20	2 50
Decrease		1,092 00					49									10			150		
LEBANON DIST.																					
Belleville	9 60	5,500 00		1,200 00	1,200 00	1	27	276	60	174	75	200	27	30	6	550	131 20		150	23	
Carlyle		450 00	700 00	425 00	350 00	2	18	140				120	10				75 00	70		7	
Clement	1 00		900 00	550 00	386 00	3	20	120									27 75	40		15	
Collinsville	2 50		900 00	800 00		1	22	219	30	111	78	140	20	10	6		93 00	100		20	
East St. Louis		424 00	800 00	1,000 00	600 00	1	12	175	40	135	30	150	7	15			70 00	80			
Freeburg	4 00	125 00		600 00	471 00	1	10	55	22	25	8	40	9	8			11 75			6	

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CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	COLLECTIONS, ETC.					SUNDAY SCHOOLS.															Expenses of Delegates to General Conference.
	Support of Bishops.	Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.	Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages.	Claims for Ministerial Support.	Receipts for Ministerial Support.	Number of Sunday Schools.	Officers & Teachers.	Scholars of all ages.	Scholars Fifteen Years Old and over.	Scholars under 15, except Infant Class.	Scholars in Infant Class.	Average Atteodance of Teachers and Scholars.	Officers & Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers.	Scholars who are Church Members or Probationers.	Conversions.	Library Books.	Total Expenses of School this Year.	Sun. S. Advocates taken Weekly.	S. S. Advocates taken Semi-Monthly.	Sunday School Journals taken.	
LEBANON DIST.—*Con'd.*																					
Greenville	$ 6 00			$ 830 00	$ 741 00	1	20	224	93	80	51	132	20	120	14	....	$ 100 00	125	....	11	.....
Greenville Circuit	2 00	$ 60 00		650 00	520 00	5	42	317	150	147	28	255	36	90	7	200	23 00	20	....	16	.....
Highland	1 25	40 00	$1,100 00	580 00	530 00	2	12	86	17	30	39	60	12	25	....	....	30 00	20	30	8	$ 1 00
Lebanon	2 00	150 00	4,600 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	2	25	240	90	100	50	160	20	75	10	275	75 00	....	....	12	.....
Pocahontas	1 50	545 00	.....	700 00	439 00	2	12	120	....	....	30	112	10	20	....	100	25 00	....	....	10	2 25
Shiloh	5 00	.....	.....	700 00	750 00	2	17	168	54	48	80	120	16	26	9	400	50 00	....	30	8	.....
Trenton	2 50	800 00	.....	760 00	760 00	3	40	265	127	128	....	195	35	89	21	....	108 00	15	90	27	.....
Troy	6 00	65 00	.....	864 00	600 00	2	14	80	....	....	23	.....	14	.....	.....	....	25 00	....	25	4	.....
Venice	1 00	75 00	2,100 00	400 00	310 00	2	24	125	....	26	27	102	12	.....	.....	200	47 00	....	....	6	.....
Waterloo	50	15 00	.....	800 00	450 00	6	30	220	75	145	30	.....	.....	.....	4	....	20 00	....	....	.....	.....
Wisetown	.....	.....	300 00	300 00	133 00	5	35	200	.....	....	15	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....
Totals	44 85	8,249 00	4,400 00	12,159 00	9,240 00	41	380	3130	758	1149	564	1786	248	388	85	1725	911 79	470	325	173	3 25
Last Year	34 15	9,824 00	15,560 80	12,914 00	8,603 00	33	330	2721	939	997	565	2017	283	501	90	2509	1,172 48	....	862	26	.....
Increase	10 70	.....	.....	.....	637 00	8	50	409	....	152	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	147	3 25
Decrease	.....	1,575 00	11,160 80	755 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	181	....	1	231	35	113	5	784	260 78	470	537	....	.....
MT. VERNON DIST.																					
Ashley	.....	.....	.....	640 00	521 65	1	14	140	70	70	....	105	9	30	5	....	50 00	75	....	10	.....
Centralia	10 00	110 00	.....	1,000 00	1,000 00	1	29	255	85	119	51	195	28	75	33	....	50 00	100	....	21	.....
Fairfield	2 00	.....	.....	600 00	600 00	1	20	175	120	20	35	150	20	125	.....	....	120 00	100	....	20	.....
Hickory Hill	25	.....	.....	440 00	263 56	5	35	200	80	120	....	20	25	75	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Irvington	1 00	.....	.....	400 00	275 00	2	15	120	65	55	....	90	14	76	8	50	25 00	....	....	6	2 00
Jeffersonville	2 00	120 00	500 00	500 00	338 00	6	40	250	.....	.....	.....	200	32	70	5	250	50 00	....	....	30	.....
Johnsonville	.....	.....	.....	500 00	350 00	5	30	225	100	100	25	200	20	50	30	150	50 00	....	....	10	.....
Mt. Erie	.....	850 00	75 00	780 00	751 80	4	25	180	60	90	30	150	25	50	15	....	40 00	....	40	25	.....
Mt. Vernon	6 00	1,100 00	85 00	850 00	910 00	1	17	225	57	98	70	133	17	125	45	....	72 95	90	....	18	.....
Mt. Vernon Circuit	1 25	.....	.....	450 00	412 50	6	48	422	200	127	95	348	42	228	26	100	30 00	....	....	21	.....
Nashville	1 25	.....	.....	700 00	700 00	1	12	150	40	80	30	120	12	.....	.....	....	100 00	....	....	15	.....
Nashville Circuit	1 45	.....	100 00	600 00	500 00	6	60	325	130	110	85	.....	.....	125	75	....	75 00	....	65	21	.....
Opdyke	.....	.....	375 00	600 00	64 00	4	12	230	125	50	55	.....	12	20	.....	....	20 00	....	....	30	.....
Richview	.....	50 00	.....	700 00	571 45	2	15	140	60	40	40	140	15	100	50	....	35 00	....	50	11	.....
Spring Garden	.....	.....	.....	400 00	200 00	4	28	227	111	87	29	176	26	124	48	300	32 00	30	....	12	.....
Walnut Hill	.....	30 00	.....	600 00	400 00	4	31	236	.....	.....	34	267	30	.....	12	135	14 00	....	25	.....	.....

Woodlawn				382 00	255 40	2	20	80	30	30	20	55	22	44	17		15 00			14	
Xenia	1 65			400 00	400 00	1	7	60	25	20	15	50	5		1		30 00	30		7	
Totals	26 85	2,260 00	1,135 00	10,540 00	8,512 36	56	458	3650	1358	1216	614	2,399	354	1,317	378	985	808 95	425	180	271	2 00
Last year	14 60	2,750 00	867 00	10,785 00	7,216 00	48	378	3168	1058	1045	564	2,343	336	646	136	931	608 35		556	177	
Increase	12 25		268 00		1,396 36	8	70	498	300	171	50	56	28	871	242	54	200 60	425			
Decrease		490 00		245 00															376	106	2 00
Olney Dist.																					
Albion	3 45	175 00		750 00	750 00	6	65	550	170	265	115	415	50	250		200	75 00	60	2		4 00
Bellair	3 00	600 00		400 00	150 00	5	43	264	189	45	30	220	35	50	7		24 50		30	7	3 00
Bible Grove	4 00			500 00	340 00	4	40	400				300	40	100		100	26 00	25		12	4 00
Bridgeport	6 55	100 00		600 00	600 00	2	23	216				23	85							15	
Clay City and Noble	1 10		325 00	600 00	650 00	3	37	240	74	80	55	269	34	97	96	35	61 00	60		21	3 70
Fairview	5 00	200 00	300 00	656 00	490 00	6	38	250	150	100		230	30	180	20	200	60 00			20	
Flora	9 00	370 00		650 00	650 00	1	15	200	120	30	50	12	15	75	15		65 00			12	
Grayville	1 00	82 00		600 00	600 00	2	19	115	47	68		90	19	29		50	38 00		70	10	
Hebron	1 00	108 00		600 00	575 00	5	50	250													
Lancaster			200 00	331 00	247 00	3	38	240	76	121	43	179	18	27	8		46 45	30		3	
Louisville	1 40	55 00	1,400 00	500 00	430 00	5	38	340	197	92	51	28	30	78			58 00		85	20	2 00
Mt. Carmel	3 40	91 00	71 50	1,000 00	1,000 00	1	22	234	25	141	34	120	22	23		200	68 50			20	
Mt. Carmel Circuit	2 00	100 00	80 00	500 00	400 00										5			22			
Newton	4 00		500 00	560 00	380 00	5	40	220	100	90	30	260	30	52	11		32 00	30		20	
Oblong				520 00	520 00	6	72	310				45	72		45		40 00	65	20	18	
Olney	6 00	700 00		1,000 00	1,000 00	1	30	350	125	141	84	225	30	4	5		80 00		200	30	
Olney Circuit	9 00			800 00	750 00	6	54	315	140	100	75	300	54	125	15	250	100 00			50	
Robinson		60 00		700 00	500 00	3	25	150	100	15	35	125	40	35			40 00	10		20	
Sumner	50	700 00	1,400 00	650 00		6	61	441	281	116	96	321	60	186	20	140	90 00	70	50	36	
Totals	60 40	3,341 00	4,276 50	11,917 00	10,032 00	67	710	5085	1784	1404	698	3,262	664	1,411	247	1175	801 50	350	479	324	16 70
Last year	31 25	10,513 50	3,945 00	8,794 00	7,142 00	60	609	4144	1216	976	403	2,389	465	1,499	417	1403	867 20		654	244	
Increase	29 15		331 50	3,123 00	2,890 00	7	101	941	568	428	295	873	199					350		80	16 70
Decrease		7,272 50										127		88	170	228	66 70		175		
Vandalia Dist.																					
Altamont	3 00			706 00	592 34	3	30	163	71	63	28	128	28	71	56		31 50	70		50	
Avena	3 00	56 00		400 00	400 00	5	36	222	111	80	32	200	30	150	32	165	55 00	60		36	
Effingham	1 50	342 45	500 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1	19	221	135	55	50	134	13	27	3		83 70	100		16	2 75
Farina		200 00	200 00	450 00	300 00	4	24	120			15	130	24	50	8					15	
Hagerstown		25 00		400 00	400 00	4	25	140	45	63	32	101	17	49	10	140	61 00	15	45	4	
Kinmundy	5 35	75 00		750 00	707 50	3	27	300	190	50	60	167	27	102			100 00		125	16	
Mason			900 00	750 00	650 00	2	20	175	75	70	30	130	15	50	35		25 00			10	
Odin and Sandoval	25			500 00	425 00																
Patoka	1 50	1,150 00		550 00	322 65	4	30	235				175	25	15	10		11 60		35		
Ramsey	1 15			600 00	250 00	2	15	120	61	40	24	90	15	55	20						
Salem	9 00	480 00	150 00	880 00	780 00	1	20	106	31	35	40	90	13	10	1	250	40 00			13	
Salem Circuit	1 30			440 00	321 50	3	16	145	90	40	15	105	16	80	10						
Shobanier		160 00		300 00		3	128	100	62	60		75					10 40	740			

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	Support of Bishops.	Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.	Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages.	Claims for Ministerial Support.	Receipts for Ministerial Support.	Number of Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars of all Ages	Scholars Fifteen Years old and over.	Scholars under 15, except infant class.	Scholars in Infant Class.	Average Attendance of Teachers and Scholars.	Officers and Teachers who are Church Members and Probationers.	Scholars who are Church Members or Probationers.	Conversions.	Library Books.	Total Expenses of School this Year.	S. S. Advocates taken. Weekly.	S. S. Advocates taken Semi-monthly	S. S. Journals Taken.	
VANDALIA DIST—*Con'd*																						
St. Elmo	.....	$800 00	$400 00	$ 450 00	$ 400 00	1	12	90	25	40	25	100	10	15	16	300	$50 00	75	....	8	.....
Vandalia	$6 00	35 00	3,300 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1	21	209	99	65	45	138	19	46	13	250	103 54	85	....	24	5 60
Watson	.....	.....	125 00	460 00	233 00	1	8	35	....	....	....	23	8	10	....	....	.....	....	....	....	.....
Totals	32 05	3,223 45	5,575 00	9,636 00	7,781 99	38	331	2381	995	661	396	1,786	260	730	214	1105	571 74	1145	205	192	8 35
Last Year	30 85	1,995 00	5,807 00	10,397 00	8,650 00	54	495	3581	1165	815	383	2,161	367	883	155	1667	528 60	....	1005	179	.....
Increase	1 20	1,228 45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13	.....	.....	.....	59	.....	43 14	1145	800	13	8 35
Decrease	.....	.....	302 00	761 00	868 01	16	164	1200	170	154	....	375	107	153	....	562	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

No. II. RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	COLLECTIONS, ETC.					SUNDAY SCHOOLS.														
	Amount raised for Support of Bishops.	Amount raised for Building & Improving Churches and Parsonages.	Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages.	Claims for Ministerial Support.	Receipts for Ministerial Support.	Number of Sunday Schools.	Number of Officers and Teachers	Number of Scholars of all ages	Scholars Fifteen Years Old and over.	Scholars under 15, except Infant Class.	Number of Scholars in Infant Class.	Average attendance of Teachers and Scholars.	No. of Officers and Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers.	Number of Scholars who are Church Members or Probationers.	Number of Conversions.	Number of Library Books.	Total Expenses of School this Year.	No. of S. S. Advocates taken. Weekly.	No. of S. S. Advocates taken. Semi-Monthly.	No. of S. S. Journals taken.	General Conference Delegates.
Alton	$56 50	$2,059 00	$4,373 00	$14,173 00	$12,704 42	46	431	3,021	1,217	892	625	2,145	359	764	96	2,975	$1,124 85	406	270	248	$25 85
Carbondale	28 90	5,238 00	1,950 00	8,860 00	6,423 00	45	324	2,912	1,065	673	529	1,850	272	843	188	1,455	695 00	327	265	207	8 70
Harrisburg	21 15	3,335 00	2,075 00	9,225 00	6,375 00	49	310	2,718	1,064	617	383	1,810	238	696	239	735	365 75	197	80	62	2 50
Lebanon	44 85	8,249 00	4,400 00	12,159 00	9,240 00	41	380	3,130	758	1,149	564	1,786	248	388	85	1,725	911 70	470	325	173	3 25
Mt. Vernon	26 85	2,260 00	1,135 00	10,540 00	8,512 36	56	458	3,650	1,358	1,216	614	2,399	354	1,317	378	985	808 95	425	180	271	2 00
Olney	60 40	3,341 00	4,276 50	11,917 00	10,032 00	67	710	5,085	1,784	1,404	698	3,260	664	1,411	247	1,175	801 50	350	479	324	16 70
Vandalia	32 05	3,223 45	5,575 00	9,636 00	7,781 99	38	331	2,381	995	661	396	1,786	260	730	214	1,105	571 74	1145	205	192	8 35
Grand Total	270 70	27,705 45	23,784 50	76,510 00	61,068 77	342	2944	22,897	8,241	6,612	3809	15,046	2,395	6,149	1447	10,155	5,479 39	3320	1804	1577	67 35
Last Year	229 77	32,093 47	20,091 80	81,803 00	66,167 00	363	3254	23,859	8,295	7,093	3470	16,032	2,646	5,993	1362	13,255	5,662 96	.....	5046	1431	.....
Increase	40 93	.....	13,686 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	36	.....	.....	339	.....	.....	156	85	.....	.....	3320	.....	146	67 35
Decrease	.....	4,288 02	.....	5,393 00	5,098 23	21	310	.....	56	481	.....	986	251	.....	.....	3,100	183 57	.....	3242	.....	.....

LIST OF

PREACHERS' ADDRESSES.

NAME.	RESIDENCE.	COUNTY.
Allyn, R.	Carbondale	Jackson
Baird, J. A.	McLeansboro	Hamilton
Baldridge, J. C.	Mt. Erie	Wayne
Bartley, A.	Calhoun	Richland
Bascom, N	Golconda	Pope
Blair, F. O.	Lebanon	St. Clair
Bliss, A.	Carlyle	Clinton
Bonner, C. W.	Du Quoin	Perry
Bottorff, C. N.	Walnut Hill	Marion
Boyer, J. J.	New Hebron	Crawford
Brannine, G. W.	———	(State of) Kansas
Brooks, S.	Mt. Vernon	Jefferson
Browder, W. A.	McLeansboro	Hamilton
Brown, W. F.	Iuka	Marion
Bruner, W. B.	Mulberry Grove	Bond
Butler, G. W.	Murphysboro	Jackson
Caldwell, J. W.	Godfrey	Madison
Campbell, A.	De Soto	Jackson
Carson, J.	Newton	Jasper
Carter, R. M.	Louisville	Clay
Casey, L. F.	Patoka	Marion
Casey, R.	Venice	Madison
Caughlin, D.	Richview	Washington
Clark, O. H.	Centralia	Marion
Cline, C. E.	Mt. Vernon	Jefferson
Cooksey, N. B.	Clay City	Clay
Corrington, J. B.	Dorchester	Macoupin
Cullom, G. W.	Altamont	Effingham
Cullom, L. F.	Marine	Madison
Cunningham, J. L.	New Liberty	Pope
Davis, W. F.	Altamont	Effingham
Davis, T. J.	Marion	Williamson
Dee, J. G.	Beaver Creek	Bond
Delicate, H.	Grafton	Jersey
Deneen, W. L.	Lebanon	St. Clair
Dickson, W. C.	Belmont	Wabash
Downey, A. L.	Tamaroa	Perry
Downs, F. W.	Freeburg	St. Clair
Earp, J.	Alton	Madison
Eaton, T. A.	Edwardsville	Madison
Elam, D	Farina	Fayette
English, L. C.	Gillespie	Macoupin
Evers, V. C.	Ash Ridge	Massac

NAME.	RESIDENCE.	COUNTY.
Fahs, R. Z	Kane	Jersey
Farmer, G. W	Nashville	Washington
Field, J. W	Vienna	Johnson
Flescher, A. C	Bible Grove	Clay
Flint, J. W	Benton	Franklin
Garrett, J. H	Harrisburg	Saline
Gibson, J	Greenville	Bond
Gillham, J	El Dorado	Saline
Gillham, J. D	Cairo	Alexander
Grabe, G. W	Pocahontas	Bond
Greene, J. C	Elizabethtown	Hardin
Greenlaw, A. L	Elsah	Jersey
Groves, S. P	Staunton	Macoupin
Hampton, J. A	Donaldson	Montgomery
Harmon, N. E	Fidelity	Jersey
Harper, L. A	Johnsonville	Wayne
Harrington, S. J	Xenia	Clay
Harris, J	Mt. Carmel	Wabash
Herdman, T. H	Vandalia	Fayette
Hill, J. H	Bridgeport	Lawrence
Hobbs, J	Belle Prairie	Hamilton
Holding, C. B	Pinckneyville	Perry
Holliday, C. M	O'Fallon	St. Clair
Hooker, P. S	Equality	Gallatin
House, M	Chester	Randolph
Houts, C. J	Metropolis City	Massac
Howren, A. L	Brighton	Macoupin
Hoyt, E. A	Edwardsville	Madison
Hughey, G. W	Belleville	St. Clair
Jay, C. F	Steele's Mills	Randolph
Jameson, G. C	Thebes	Alexander
Johnson, J	Patoka	Marion
Johnson, T. N	Opdyke	Jefferson
Johnson, J. T	Mt. Vernon	Jefferson
Jones, O. V	Lebanon	St. Clair
Joy, E	Grayville	White
King, M. L	Oblong	Crawford
Laird, J	Waterloo	Monroe
Lane, J. W	Olney	Richland
Lathrop, E	Du Quoin	Perry
Laughlin, R. W	Corinth	Williamson
Leeper, J	Olney	Richland
Lingenfelter, C. D	Olney	Richland
Lingenfelter, V. D	Robinson	Crawford
Locke, J. W	Lebanon	St. Clair
Lopas, T. C	Benton	Franklin
Lowe, J. W	Carbondale	Jackson
Mabry, W. D	Flora	Clay
McMorrow, W	Spring Garden	Jefferson
Manier, R. H	Hawthorn	White
Manifold, H	Ramsey	Fayette
Massey, R. H	East St. Louis	St. Clair

NAME.	RESIDENCE.	COUNTY.
Massey, T. J.	Bell Air	Crawford
Maxey, S. T.	Wood Lawn	Jefferson
Maxey, J. J.	Mt. Vernon	Jefferson
May, E.	Irvington	Washington
Moore, D.	Odin	Marion
Morrison, A. B.	Lebanon	St. Clair
Morrison, A. P.	Litchfield	Montgomery
Morris, C. W.	New Haven	Gallatin
Nall, J. W.	St. Elmo	Fayette
Nash, C.	Fairfield	Wayne
Nelson, H.	Bunker Hill	Macoupin
Nisbet, A. B.	Carmi	White
Oglesby, D.	Richview	Washington
Owen, W. M.	Fairfield	Wayne
Orr, J. C.	Greencastle	Madison
Pierce, B. R	Carbondale	Jackson
Phillips, D. W.	Jerseyville	Jersey
Phillips, J. W.	Lebanon	St. Clair
Powers, M. N.	Ashley	Washington
Porter, W. A.	Belknap	Johnson
Randle, R.	Salem	Marion
Ransom, A.	Altamont	Effingham
Ravenscroft, J. B.	Mt. Erie	Wayne
Reeder, J. D.	De Soto	Jackson
Reef, J. R.	Harrisburg	Saline
Reynolds, J. B.	Brighton	Macoupin
Rippetoe, J. E.	Hagerstown	Fayette
Robbins, G. W.	Shiloh	St. Clair
Robinson, J. A.	Carbondale	Jackson
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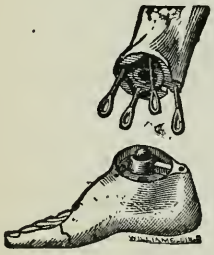

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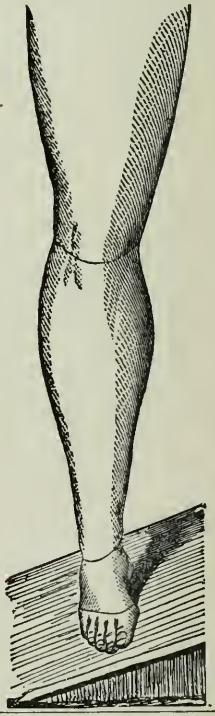

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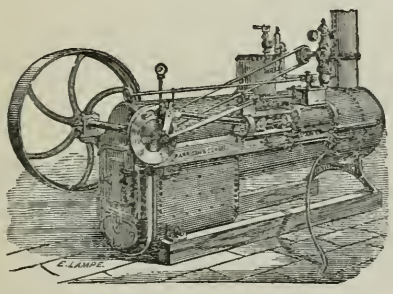

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